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Tis the season to start filling
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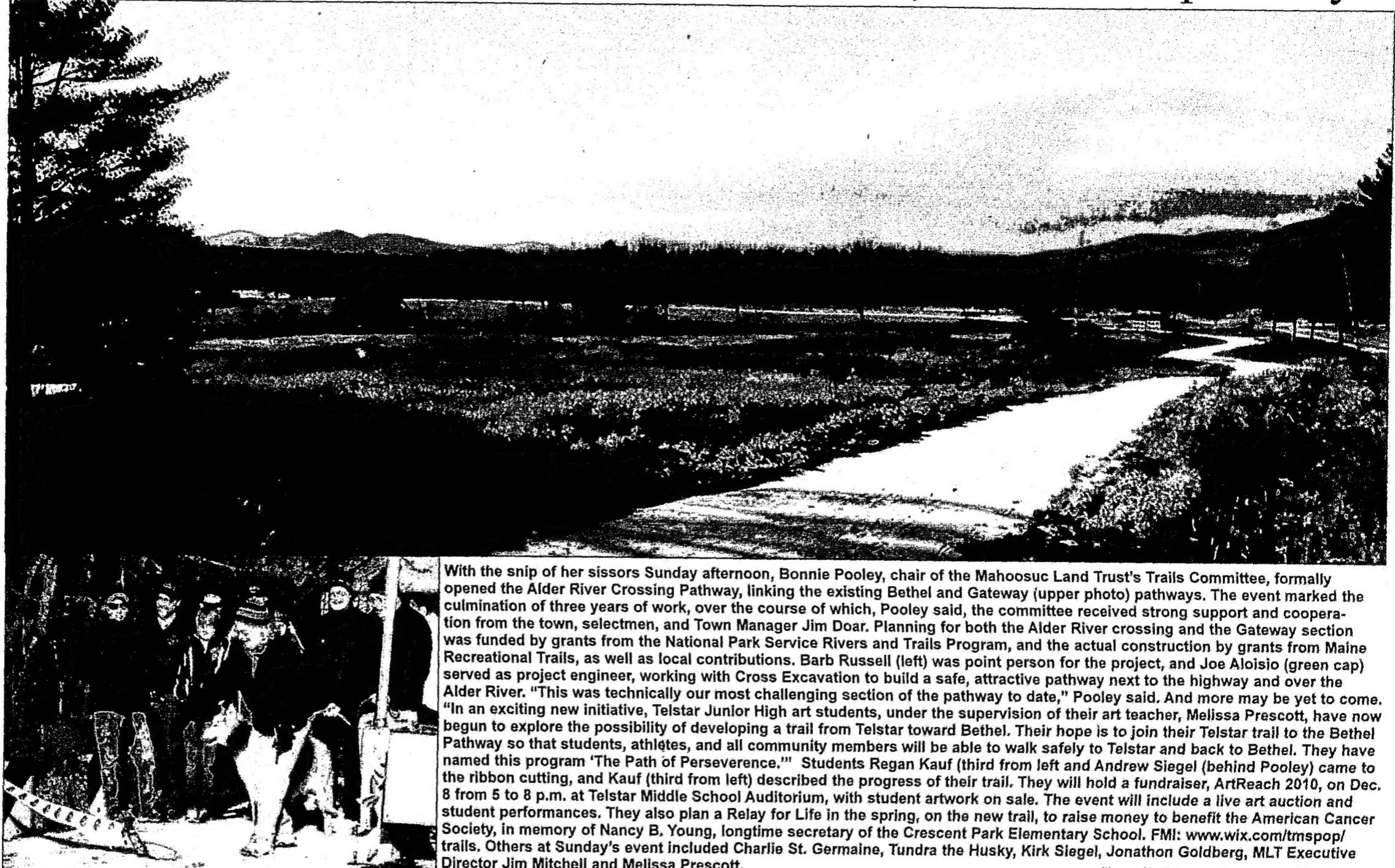
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Ribbon cutting opens link between Gateway and Bethel pathways



With the snip of her scissors Sunday afternoon, Bonnie Pooley, chair of the Mahoosuc Land Trust's Trails Committee, formally opened the Alder River Crossing Pathway, linking the existing Bethel and Gateway (upper photo) pathways. The event marked the culmination of three years of work, over the course of which, Pooley said, the committee received strong support and cooperation from the town, selectmen, and Town Manager Jim Doar. Planning for both the Alder River crossing and the Gateway section was funded by grants from the National Park Service Rivers and Trails Program, and the actual construction by grants from Maine Recreational Trails, as well as local contributions. Barb Russell (left) was point person for the project, and Joe Aloisio (green cap) served as project engineer, working with Cross Excavation to build a safe, attractive pathway next to the highway and over the Alder River. "This was technically our most challenging section of the pathway to date," Pooley said. And more may be yet to come. "In an exciting new initiative, Telstar Junior High art students, under the supervision of their art teacher, Melissa Prescott, have now begun to explore the possibility of developing a trail from Telstar toward Bethel. Their hope is to join their Telstar trail to the Bethel Pathway so that students, athletes, and all community members will be able to walk safely to Telstar and back to Bethel. They have named this program 'The Path of Perseverance.'" Students Regan Kauf (third from left) and Andrew Siegel (behind Pooley) came to the ribbon cutting, and Kauf (third from left) described the progress of their trail. They will hold a fundraiser, ArtReach 2010, on Dec. 8 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Telstar Middle School Auditorium, with student artwork on sale. The event will include a live art auction and student performances. They also plan a Relay for Life in the spring, on the new trail, to raise money to benefit the American Cancer Society, in memory of Nancy B. Young, longtime secretary of the Crescent Park Elementary School. FMI: www.wix.com/tmspop/trails. Others at Sunday's event included Charlie St. Germaine, Tundra the Husky, Kirk Siegel, Jonathon Goldberg, MLT Executive Director Jim Mitchell and Melissa Prescott.

(Photos: Mac Davis, ribbon cutting; M. Daniels, pathways)

Latest version of rail plan envisions several station stops a day in Bethel

By ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel might one day see four round-trip trains a day from Portland, under a passenger-rail revival scenario presented here Monday by planners working with the Maine Department of Transportation.

And if rail service is extended all the way to Montreal, that number could increase.

Monday's presentation at the Bethel Inn to about two

dozen people was the second such meeting in three months. In September, about 70 people turned out to let MDOT and its consultants know their wishes for the return of rail service. Much of the discussion centered on bringing skiers to the area by rail.

The planners took that input and other information and came up with some preliminary options for extending

the current Downeaster train service from the Portland area to Lewiston-Auburn and beyond.

Local details

A return to Bethel would require improvements to the existing trail platform located at Bethel Station (currently the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce building). The platform, built more than 15 years

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Gilead's 1851 station on track to return from Auburn

By ALISON ALOISIO

For the past 20 years, Gilead's 160-year-old train station has served as an office building in Auburn.

Its owner, Ford Reiche, has now offered to return the building to Gilead, according to Lin McLain Chapman, of the Gilead Historical Society.

The old station would sit on the McLain fam-

ily lot next to the town's old schoolhouse, which was also recently relocated there. Stephen and Lise McLain donated the lot to the GHS several years ago.

The station was saved from destruction in 1991 when Reiche, a lifetime member of the GHS, moved it from Gilead to Auburn after

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Mt. Abram applies to DEP for OK to install an acre of solar panels

By ALISON ALOISIO

An acre of solar panels planned for construction at Mt. Abram Ski Resort could generate as much electricity as the mountain uses in a year.

The resort this week submitted an application for the project to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, according to Mt. Abram own-

er Matt Hancock.

The solar panel "field" would be located on a two-acre site between the main lodge and West Lodge.

The site had previously been approved by DEP for a snow-making pond, Hancock said. The pond was never built.

The resort's snowmaking operation accounts for most of its energy usage.

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Chamber of Commerce proposes 150-foot Winterfest 'Ice Mountain'

By MICHAEL DANIELS

It might not be a "looker" itself, like the snowman in 1999 and his female counterpart almost a decade later, but like both its winter-attraction predecessors it should attract plenty of "looker people" (in the words of Robin Zinchuk) to Bethel.

"It" in this case would be a 150-foot-tall ice mountain, the envisioned centerpiece of Winterfest 2011, set for Jan. 22-30.

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, of which Zinchuk is executive director, has received permission from the

Bethel Planning Board to build the mountain in Bethel Station, but only if the chamber reaches agreement with the Bethel Water District

But says project cannot go forward if it has to pay

BWD for the water.

about providing the necessary water.

And that would be a lot of water - enough to freeze up into about 125,000 cubic feet

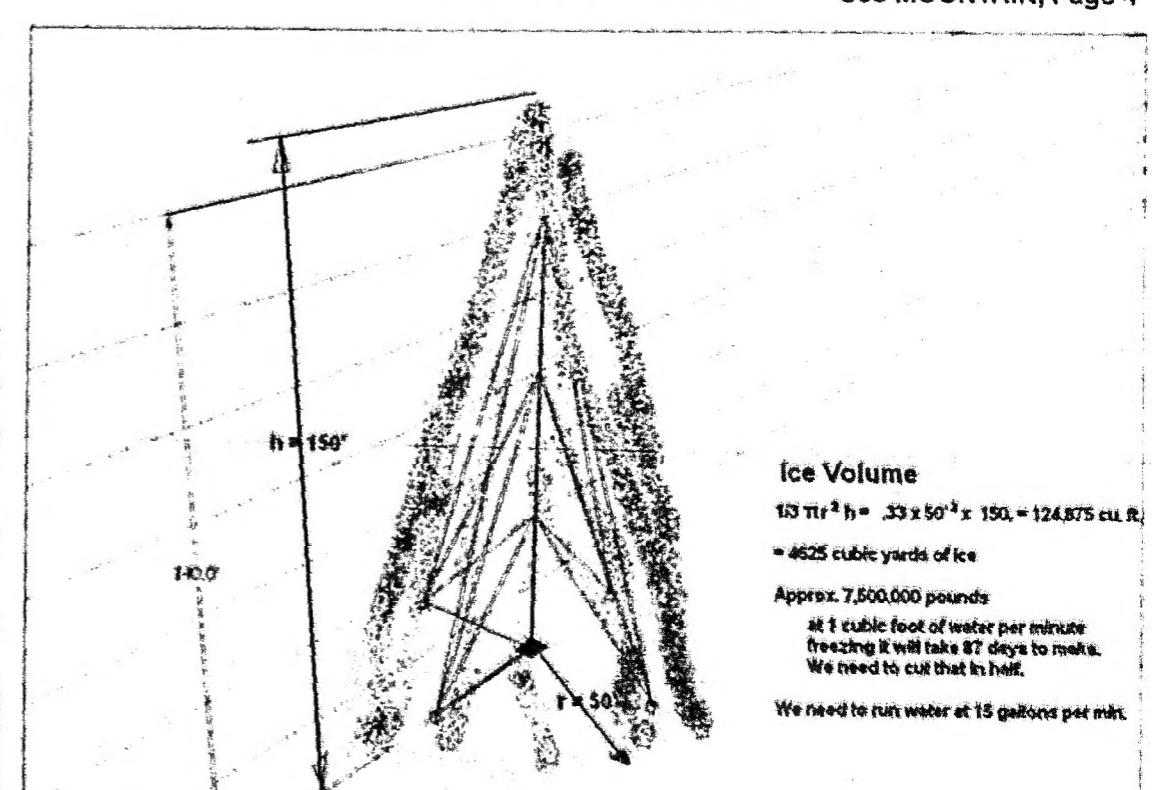
of ice, weighing in at 7.5 million pounds, according to the calculations of engineer Jim Sysko.

That boils down to plus or minus a million gallons, according to BWD Superintendent Lucien Roberge.

At their most recent meeting, following a discussion with Sysko, the BWD Board of Trustees voted unanimously to provide the water, as long as the chamber pays what residential users would pay - about \$2,400 in this case.

But the chamber would prefer not to pay.

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**GREENS SALE**

West Bethel Union Church
December 4th
9:30-11:30

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SKETCH AND NOTES from project engineer Jim Sysko.



Letters

TO CLEAR UP A FEW POINTS

To the Editor:

I want to thank the town of Gilead for their courage and unbiased support on the purchase of property issue. In regard to Mr. Brearley's questions and concerns I hope to clear up a few things for not only him but anyone else who read the article as well.

It is not my intention to debate or argue the five points addressed by Mr. Brearley last week, only because all of these questions were answered at the very first meeting regarding the purchase.

Anyone who attended the meeting would know that the building is not available for short sale or auction, as he implied. The town has been discussing this property for many months now, and an open house was also hosted by the realtor for the townspeople in October. This meeting and the open house gave the taxpayers of Gilead two major opportunities to ask questions and voice their opinions to myself and others.

There has already been one voting process on whether or not to proceed to the negotiation of the property, which ended in a 29-19 favor. There will be one more meeting for price negotiations directly followed by a vote from the taxpayers of Gilead.

It has also come to my attention that a group of concerned citizens have circulated a petition that includes at least 40 signatures in order to hasten the process, and it shows that the interest is growing in numbers.

Finally, the concern that my realtor is also a selectman and resident of the town is irrelevant to the issue since she cannot vote. The town has expressed the need for garage space for many years and now the opportunity is in reach, and since all of the details have been worked out with a fine-tooth comb, its fate lies in the hands of the citizens of Gilead and will be determined at the next meeting.

Ken Cole, Building Owner
Gilead

PATHWAY EXTENSION THANKS

To the Editor:

The ribbon cutting ceremony held on Nov. 28 celebrated the completion of two segments of the Bethel Pathway extension to Telstar. Such projects require much collaboration among town government, landowners and contractors.

The Bethel Area Trails Committee appreciates the time and effort given by those who helped see these two projects to fruition.

Thank you to the Bethel Board of Selectmen and current and former town managers, Jim Doar and Scott Cole for their support of the projects; to Gary Inman, Don Murphy, Jim List, Jim Sysko and Kirk Siegel for donating their particular expertise and services; to Joe Aloisio and Cross Excavation for their engineering and construction contributions; to Amy Scott for her grant writing; to the Mahoosuc Land Trust for granting an easement on the Gateway; to Burnham Martin, technical assistant from the National Park Service; and finally to all the members of the Bethel Area Trails Committee for their various contributions and persistence over the past three years. We look forward to making the final connection to the Telstar Complex!

Barbara Russell
Mahoosuc Land Trust, Trails Committee

FIRST ONLINE HOLIDAY AUCTION

To the Editor:

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce is running our first-ever Holiday Online Auction. Bidding will open on Sunday, Dec. 5, and will run until midnight on Dec. 15.

We expect to have more than 50 items — all donated by chamber members or friends — and we invite those of you who might be interested in bidding to go to the chamber's website, www.bethelmaine.com and click on the REGISTER TO BID in the text box, or call the chamber office 824-2282 and we will help you.

Many thanks for helping to make our Holiday Auction fundraiser successful.

Robin Zinchuk
Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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REMEMBERING STUDIE CROSS

To the Editor:

As a native of Bethel, I have known Studie Cross most of my life. We met through his cousin, Diane, who sat close to me in Kindergarten at the Ethel Bisbee School, and who remains a close friend to this day. Studie was nine years older than Diane and me. When he started school in the mid-1940s, there were no "Special Needs" tests or categories or programs — just the huge and homogenous classrooms that were the educational reality at the time. But what Studie lacked in traditional book-learning he more than made up for in other ways.

The first thing you noticed about Studie was that he had a unique way of speaking. In fact, you could say he had his own special dialect, which Diane and I fondly referred to as "Studiology." In Studie-speak, "Gould Academy" was called "Gould Acabedy," a memorable event was called a "S'perience," and I was called "Gurtchitt" (not Gretchen). Initially, I tried to correct Studie but it didn't work. He kept insisting that he was repeating my name as I told it to him: "Gurtchitt." Then out of curiosity, I informally introduced Studie to my friend, Doug Topper, a speech therapist. Doug explained that Studie's speech was just fine, and he was indeed repeating what he heard. The creative translation was taking place between his ears and his brain. Bottom-line: I was Gurtchitt whether I liked it or not.

The second thing you noticed about Studie was that he was always on the go — initially by bike, then by foot. In his biking years, Studie could be seen as often in Bryant Pond and Locke Mills as in Bethel. He would often bike down to visit my parents on East Bethel Road (now Interstate Road), stopping by for a cup of coffee and as many homemade cookies as my mother would put on the plate. His biking years came to an abrupt end when he took a terrible spill at the foot of Hunt's Corner Hill. "You won't believe what happened to me, Gurtchitt," he recalled, "I was minding my own business and biking down the hill when a bolt of lightning came out of the sky and knocked me to the ground." Minding his own business and lightning bolts would become recurring themes in Studie's life. After he recuperated, Studie took to walking all around Bethel, and I sometimes wish I had thought to attach a pedometer to his pant leg.

The third and most important thing you noticed about Studie was his fierce loyalty to family and friends. No matter what others said or did when having a bad day, Studie was there for the long-haul. He was proud to work in the woods as part of his family heritage, and carried his honorary Bethel Fireman's Badge with pride. He held his friends dear and never forgot a face or a name, even when many months passed between visits. In Malcolm Gladwell's book, "The Tipping Point," Studie would be aptly described as a "connector" — one of those handful of people with a truly extraordinary knack for making friends and acquaintances. With Studie's passing, the Bethel community has lost a great connector — and one of its best friends.

Gretchen Dock
Boston,

REMEMBERING RUPERT, 'STUDIE,' AND MABEL

To the Editor:

Three individuals who were well-known locally have died within days of each other. Through many years, I came to know all of them well and wish to make a few comments on what they have meant to me during that time.

Rupert Grover, Sr., who seemed to be in many folk's eyes the unofficial "Mayor of Mason," was a familiar figure at numerous Grange meetings I have attended over the years. I always enjoyed chatting with him about times past and his knowledge of farm and forest lore knew few limits. He was known as the quintessential "good neighbor" and possessed a fine sense of humor. In so many ways he embodied the old Yankee adage, "Use it up, wear it out, make it do, or do without." "Studie" Cross was a familiar figure on Bethel Village streets for many years. Quite often he walked on Mason Street in the warmer weather and if I was working on my lawn or in the back yard of the Dr. Mason House, he would usually stop and give me his update on what was happening in town. Whether it be what was building an addition to their garage, digging up a culvert, changing the paint color on their home, or any number of other observations, I always felt I had a better "handle" on what was happening in the greater Bethel community once "Studie" had brought me "up to speed." Next spring won't be the same without briefings from "Studie."

Finally, it is difficult to assess just how much Mabel Kennett has meant to the Bethel Historical Society over these many years. In her quiet and dignified way, she made such a difference on so many fronts in partnership with her beloved husband Alden. Quilting was one of her passions, particularly in her retirement years, but she made other contributions that have advanced the organization's reputation in a number of ways. I will greatly miss seeing her and listening to her observations while sharing her low-key sense of humor.

Stan Howe
Bethel

CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN DONATIONS, REQUESTS

To the Editor:

For the 24th consecutive year, The Rotary Club of Bethel will once again be sponsoring its annual Christmas For Children program. Since 1987, this worthwhile project has helped to provide important assistance during the holiday season for many needy children and families who live in the SAD 44 area.

Anyone interested in donating to this effort is urged to send his or her contribution to: Rotary Club of Bethel, Christmas for Children, c/o Dean Walker, PO Box 471, Bethel, ME 04217.

Requests for assistance may be mailed to: David Murphy, 844 Mayville Road, Bethel, ME 04217. Requests may also be dropped off at any school office at SAD 44.

Please note that assistance is provided only to families who reside in the SAD 44 area and requests can only be accepted from the parents of the children.

The Rotary Club is pleased to be able to assist families with children up to and including high school age. All requests must include the name and age of each child. A telephone number and mailing address must also be included.

Once again this year, Rotarians will also be collecting donations at the Bethel Shop n' Save on several weekends between now and the holidays.

On behalf of the entire Rotary Club of Bethel, I would like to thank the community for the ongoing generosity and support it has shown for this program over the many years of its existence.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season!

Joe Arizzzi
President, Rotary Club of Bethel

WEEKEND EVENTS TO ANTICIPATE

To the Editor:

We have a wonderful weekend filled with events to anticipate!

The 4th Annual Business and Home EXPO, presented by Norway Savings Bank, is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Telstar High School gymnasium — and is a great way to meet and learn about nearly 40 local businesses, do some holiday shopping, and have several chances to win some terrific raffle prizes. There will be several raffle items donated by our exhibitors during the day — and a Grand Prize raffle of one cord of firewood donated by Cross Excavation drawn shortly before 2 p.m. Other requests helping to make this event possible are Agren Appliance, United Insurance, Northeast Bank, Turner Publishing, WOXO/Gleason Marketing Services and Western Maine Supply.

While you are at the Telstar facility on Saturday there will be lots of other activities for you to enjoy. The Taste of Bethel, featuring Bethel area restaurants, will be held in the Telstar Cafeteria from noon until the food runs out (usually about 1:30 or so). Sample tastes are \$1 each.

The Theme Wreath Auction has become a chamber holiday tradition and it will feature up to 20 wreaths decorated by our local businesses. This is a silent auction and it will be located in the gymnasium this year. The closing bids will be accepted at 1:50 or so, shortly before the Business EXPO closes to the public.

From 2 to 4 p.m., Oxford Networks is providing free horse-drawn wagon rides in Bethel Village. Thanks to the Bethel Rotary Club, at 4:15, those wishing to participate in the 2nd Annual Jingle Bell Run are asked to gather in the Key Bank parking lot on Main Street, Bethel for a 4:45 mass jog up the street to the Bethel Common. Santa will greet everyone on the Common and we will light the Christmas tree to officially begin the holiday season.

Amy Marshall, Colleen Files, Jim Bennett, Lloyd Sweetser, Lynn Saxton
The Business EXPO Committee

Mt. Abram

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the resort undertook an energy audit, through Efficiency Maine, to pinpoint ways to use less energy. "We hope to get our usage below 400,000," said Hancock.

Besides being a long-term money saver, he said, "we would then make more energy than we consume."

But that would not mean skiers would see electrical lines running directly from the solar field to the lifts or snow-making equipment.

Instead, the electricity would be sold to Central Maine Power, and the resort would buy back power.

Most of the solar power would be generated during the longer days of summer. In the winter, Hancock said, the solar site would only receive about 4.5 hours of sun a day.

The idea for solar energy was generated through a comprehensive analysis of the resort's costs, 30 percent of which go to utilities, said Hancock.

Besides being a long-term money saver, he said, "we would then make more energy than we consume."

"There would be no hardship on any of our neighbors from this," he said.

Wind power was not seriously considered, said Hancock, because of general opposition

to it and because the permitting process can be so lengthy. Solar projects are costly, Hancock said, and Mt. Abram hopes to be able to take advantage of a federal tax credit of 30 percent on the cost of the system. The tax credit program is slated to expire the end of this year, and it is unknown if it will be extended, said Hancock.

If the project receives DEP approval later this month, work could begin then, in order to qualify for the credit.

Or, if word is received soon that the credit program will be extended into 2011, work could likely wait until the end of the ski season, Hancock said.

The solar project plan will be submitted to the Greenwood Planning Board next week.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson
10 years ago: The Crescent Park School PTA sponsored Breakfast with Santa at the school.

The Windy Valley Snowmobile Club held their annual Christmas party and potluck supper at the Grange Hall.

Junior Achievement volunteer Bow Boden talked with fifth graders at CPS about partnerships, corporations, and sole proprietorships.

Deaths: Eva N. Richard, Davis S. Curtis, Freeman R. Hayden, Filk A. Wagner, Dorothy W. Harvey, Nathaniel T. Richard.

20 years ago: Gould Academy and Telstar students joined forces to help the Forest Service in maintaining the Burnt Mill Brook Trail in Evans Notch.

The local Christmas shopping season got off to a strong start with many local businesses participating in a special holiday open house.

The West Parish Congregational Church kicked off a Capital Campaign to raise \$200,000 for renovations and improvements to the church.

30 years ago: Mt. Abram announced the opening of ten miles of cross country ski trails, ranging from beginner to expert.

Sunday River was open with a 6- to 50-inch manmade base. The Greenwood Fire Department Auxiliary sponsored a Christmas Crafts fair at the Town Hall.

Birth: Keara Elizabeth Clemons.

40 years ago: The Telstar Girls' Athletic Association was planning a Toys for Tots drive.

Sunday River Tree Service moved a tree 55 feet tall, and 14 inches in diameter at the stump end from Fred Burk's on the Sunday River Road to Bryce Yates home.

50 years ago: After weeks of nearly ideal fall weather, wintry conditions arrived with snow flurries, cool breezes, and freezing sleet glazing the roads.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Amdee Fisette in Gilead village was destroyed by fire.

The Owen Wight family moved into the Lon Wight place in North Newry.

Births: Kellen Ruth Remington, Chris Matthew Bennoch.

Briefly

TMS ArtReach next week

BETHEL—Telstar Middle School students will showcase their musical and visual art accomplishments alongside the works of local adult artists at the 6th annual TMS ArtReach, to be held at the Telstar Complex on Dec. 8 from 5 to 8 p.m. (snowdate Dec. 9). This event, which connects artwork with community service, will include a student art sale and silent auction, a program of special student performances, and a live art auction of artworks donated by local artists. All of the money raised at this event will benefit the Path of Perseverance service-learning project, which is focused on trail building and cancer awareness and prevention. This year, TMS Advanced Art students decided to work with the Bethel Trails Committee to help complete the Gateway trail by extending the Telstar trail system toward the new Gateway trail extension. They will also be using this project to raise awareness and support for cancer prevention. In the spring, they plan to organize a Relay for Life fundraiser along the new trail to benefit the American Cancer Society. The Relay will be dedicated to Nancy B. Young, longtime secretary of the Crescent Park Elementary School, who recently passed away after a six-year battle with cancer. At 5 p.m., the show will open with the student visual art exhibit and sale, the silent auction, and the live auction preview. More than 100 student works will be offered for sale, and the live art auction will include several donated artworks, both two- and three-dimensional, in a variety of media. The live auction will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a program of special student performances at 7 p.m. More information about the Path of Perseverance project can be found at the project's website - www.wix.com/tmspop/trails.

Legislators Listening Forum Dec. 8

PARIS—On Dec. 8 Oxford County businesses and legislators are invited to a listening forum on taxation and regulation issues affecting the business community (regulation, labor, taxes, etc.). Businesses will have the opportunity to inform members of the Oxford County legislative delegation of issues that may be addressed with legislation in the First Session of the 125th Legislature. The forum will be held in the Forum at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Businesses are asked to come prepared to discuss their concerns with specific ideas for resolution. The Western Maine Economic Development Corp. is convening this forum in conjunction with other county-wide economic development organizations and regional nonprofits in Western Maine.

Timber harvest down

AUGUSTA—The Maine Forest Service says timber harvesting activities in the state in 2009 were much lower than in previous years, and reflect the dreary economic conditions of the time. That and other trends in the industry can be found in the Forest Service's 2009 Silvicultural Activities and Stumpage Price reports. The first report says the 394,100 total acres harvested last year was down 15 percent from the 2008 total of 463,200 acres. Acres clear-cut increased from 10,075 acres in 2008 to 14,866 in 2009. Clearcutting still amounts to less than 4 percent of the total harvested acres. The second report reflects a downward trend in stumpage prices paid to landowners.

Maine near top in health care

PORLTAND—New federal figures indicate New Hampshire and Maine have some of the nation's best health care. The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality ranks New Hampshire first, followed by Wisconsin, Minnesota, Maine and Rhode Island. Maine moved up from 12th place overall the previous year, the biggest one-year improvement for any state. Vermont is also ranked above average. The annual rankings are based on a list of measures, such as the rate of eye and foot exams for diabetes patients and the mortality rates for cancer patients.

Christmas For Children

The Bethel Rotary Club has raised \$3,800 towards their goal of \$12,000

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Loretta Powers
Town Administrator

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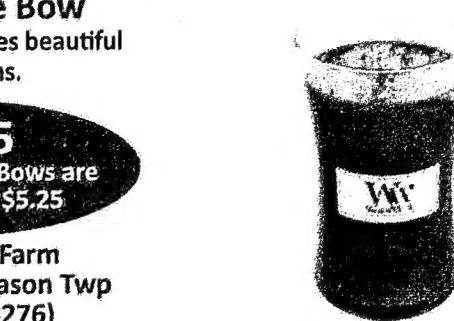
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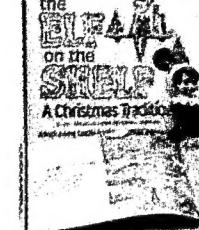
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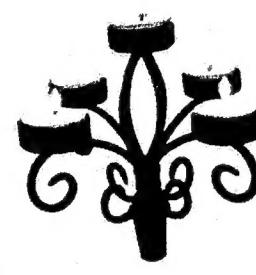
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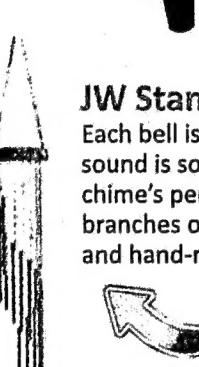
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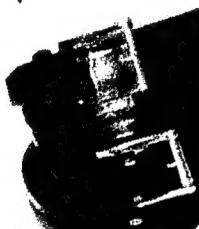
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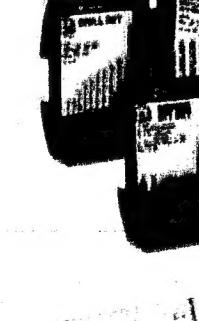


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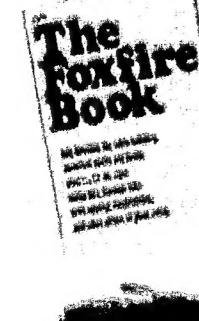


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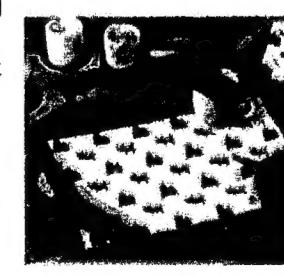


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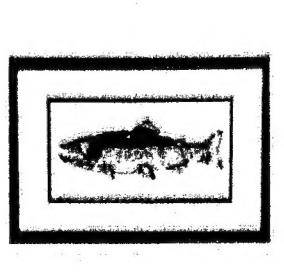


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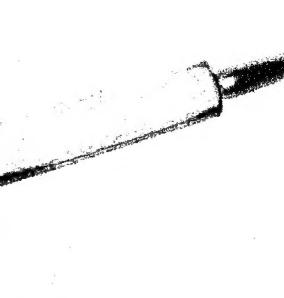


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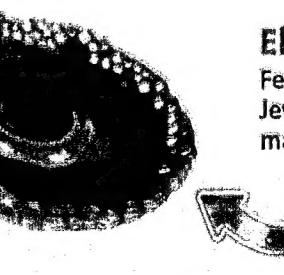


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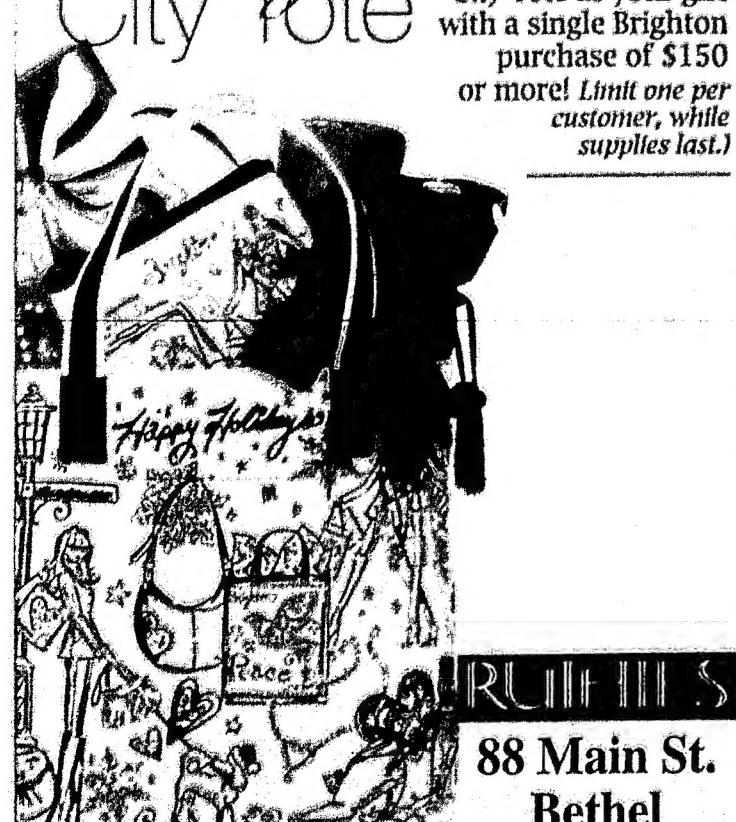
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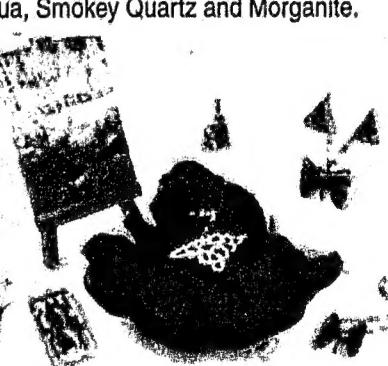
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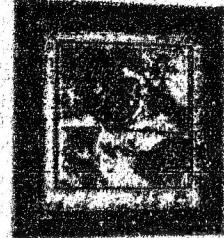
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Make the holidays special by giving something fresh, homemade and from the heart. For more recipes you can bake and share, visit VeryBestBaking.com.

Pumpkin Cranberry Bread

Makes two, 9 x 5-inch loaves

Prep: 10 minutes

Baking: 1 hour

3 cups all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
2 teaspoons baking soda
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
3 cups granulated sugar
1 can (15 ounces) Libby's 100% Pure Pumpkin
4 large eggs
1 cup vegetable oil
1/2 cup orange juice or water
1 cup sweetened dried, fresh or frozen cranberries

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9 x 5-inch loaf pans.

COMBINE flour, pumpkin pie spice, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Combine sugar, pumpkin, eggs, oil and juice in large mixer bowl; beat until just blended. Add pumpkin mixture to flour mixture; stir just until moistened. Fold in cranberries. Spoon batter into prepared loaf pans.

BAKE for 60 to 65 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool in pans on wire racks for 10 minutes; remove to wire racks to cool completely.

For three 8 x 4-inch loaf pans:

Prepare as above. Bake for 55 to 60 minutes.

For five or six 5 x 3-inch mini loaf pans:

Prepare as above. Bake for 50 to 55 minutes.

Mini Pumpkin Muffin Mix

Makes 1

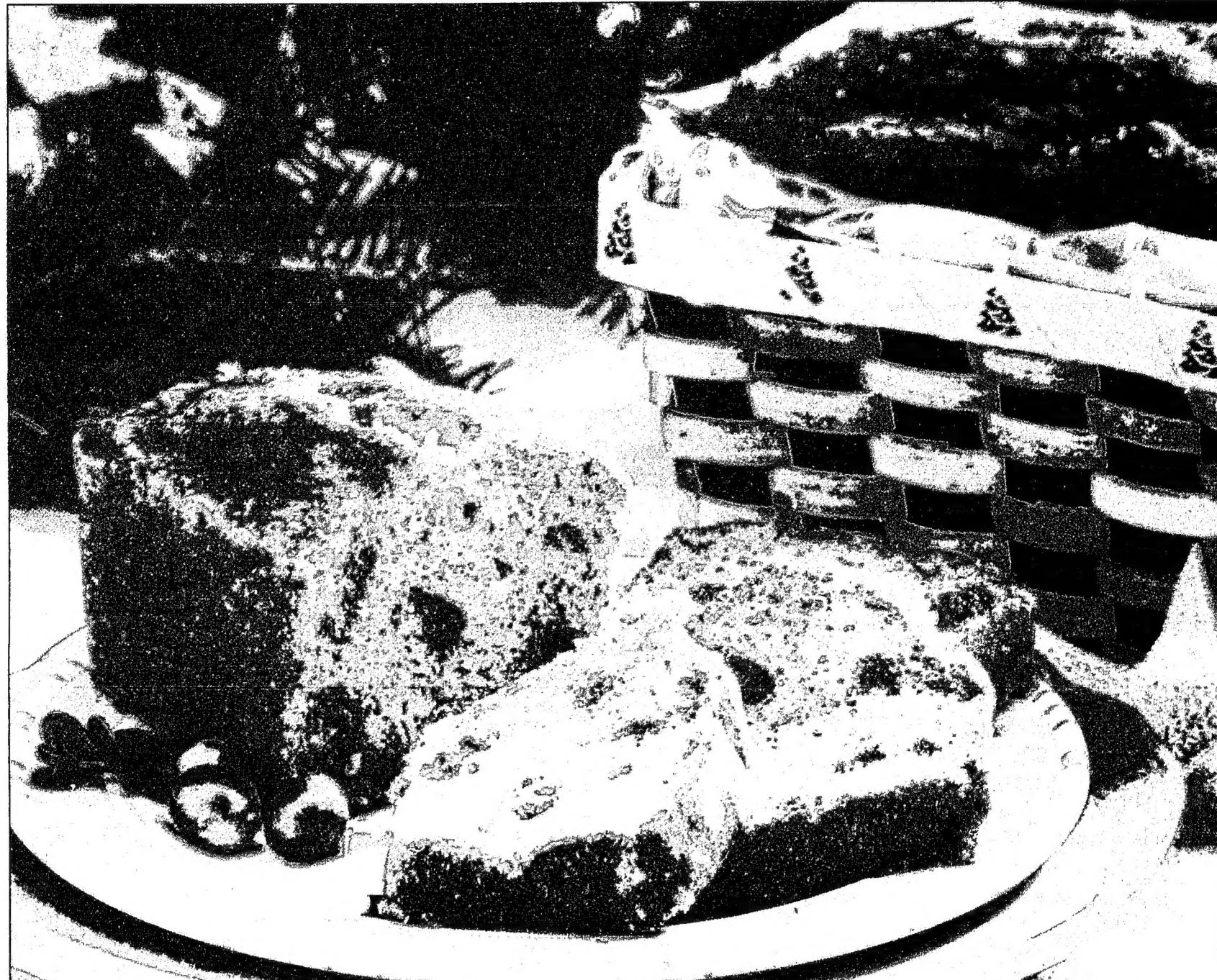
Prep: 15 minutes

3 cups all-purpose flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 cup granulated sugar
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 cup raisins, sweetened dried cranberries, or chopped nuts (optional)
1 can (15 ounces) Libby's 100% Pure Pumpkin

COMBINE all ingredients, except pumpkin, in large bowl. Pour into 1-quart resealable plastic bag; seal. Wrap muffin mix and can of pumpkin in fabric; tie with ribbon or twine.

Recipe to attach:

Pour muffin mix into large bowl. Cut in 1/2 cup vegetable shortening with pastry blender until mixture is fine. Add 1 cup Libby's 100% Pure Pumpkin, 1 cup milk and 2 large eggs; mix until just moistened. Spoon into greased or paper-lined mini-muffin pans, filling 2/3 full. Bake in preheated 400°F oven for 15 minutes; remove to wire racks. Sprinkle with powdered sugar, if desired. Makes about 5 dozen mini muffins.

**Pumpkin Carrot Swirl Bars**

Makes 4 dozen

Prep: 20 minutes

Baking: 25 minutes

2 2/4 cups all-purpose flour
2 1/4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 cup granulated sugar
1/3 cup butter or margarine, softened
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
2 large eggs
2 large egg whites
1 can (15 ounces) Libby's 100% Pure Pumpkin
1 cup finely shredded carrot
Cream Cheese Topping (recipe follows)

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Grease 15 x 10-inch jelly-roll pan.

COMBINE flour, pumpkin pie spice, baking powder and baking soda in small bowl. Beat granulated sugar, butter and brown sugar in large mixer bowl until crumbly. Add eggs, egg whites, pumpkin and carrot; beat until well blended. Add flour mixture; mix well. Spread into prepared pan. Drop teaspoons of Cream Cheese Topping over batter; swirl mixture with spoon.

BAKE for 25 to 30 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Store in covered container in refrigerator.

For Cream Cheese Topping:

COMBINE 4 ounces softened light cream cheese (Neufchâtel), 1/4 cup granulated sugar and 1 tablespoon milk in small mixer bowl until thoroughly blended.

Spiced Pumpkin Fudge

Makes about 3 pounds

Prep: 10 minutes

Cooking: 20 minutes

2 cups granulated sugar
1 cup packed light brown sugar
3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter or margarine
2/3 cup (5 fluid-ounce can) Nestlé Carnation Evaporated Milk
1/2 cup Libby's 100% Pure Pumpkin
2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice
2 cups (12-ounce package) Nestlé Toll House Premier White Morsels
1 jar (7 ounces) marshmallow crème
1 cup chopped pecans
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

LINE 13 x 9-inch baking pan with foil. COMBINE sugar, brown sugar, butter, evaporated milk, pumpkin and spice in medium, heavy-duty saucepan. Bring to a full rolling boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Boil, stirring constantly, for 10 to 12 minutes or until candy thermometer reaches 234° to 240°F (soft-ball stage).

QUICKLY STIR in morsels, marshmallow crème, nuts and vanilla extract. Stir vigorously for 1 minute or until morsels are melted. Immediately pour into prepared pan. Let stand on wire rack for 2 hours or until completely cooled. Refrigerate tightly covered. To cut, lift from pan; remove foil. Cut into 1-inch pieces. Makes 48 servings, 2 pieces each.

Pumpkin Season Is Here!

Mother Nature has made a fresh crop of pumpkins this year, so you can enjoy plenty of pumpkin this season in your favorite traditional recipes.

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By Nancy Brown
Ray and Mary Morgan of Savannah, Ga., visited his mother, Florence Morgan, during the Thanksgiving holiday. They joined other family members for a Thanksgiving Day dinner at the home of Kim and Mike Harrington. Also attending were Emily Harrington and Andrew Gould, Robert Morgan of Gorham, N.H., and Debbie and Rodney Degreenia of Gorham, N.H.

Rick and Missy Young and Jane Young had Thanksgiving dinner at the Sudbury Inn

in Bethel.

Dawn Giroux hosted a Thanksgiving Day dinner for her children, grandchildren, and a friend from Holland.

Evelyn Kimball spent Thanksgiving with her nieces in Lovell.

Luna Akers had Thanksgiving dinner with her son, Howard Akers, and his family in West Paris. That evening she enjoyed a Thanksgiving supper with Jim and Marilyn Swan and their family.

Dorothy York spent Thanksgiving Day with David and Betsy York and their family.

Roland (Oscar) Annis has returned home from Stephens Memorial Hospital after spending Wednesday, Nov. 24,

through the following Saturday at the facility.

The Rotary Club of Bethel hosted a delicious all-you-can-eat breakfast at Ordway Dining Hall, Gould Academy.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Studie Cross. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of Mabel Kennett, who passed away Nov. 25.

Do you have community or holiday news that you'd like to see in the Bethel column? Send it to nancybrown1150@yahoo.com or call me at 824-2483.



FRENCH LEGION MEDAL RECIPIENT—On Nov. 17 Wilfred Coolidge (left) of Bethel was presented the French Legion of Honor Medal by Christophe Guillou (right), Consul General of France, at the Consulate's residence in Cambridge Mass.

The following was read by Mr. Guillou: "Mr. Wilfred Coolidge, on the 27th of April 1943 you joined the 7th Navy Beach Battalion. You were tasked with securing the beach fronts that would serve as the deployment zone for the Allied forces during the infamous D-Day landings that took place in June on the coast of Normandy. Your jobs included: establishing and maintaining communications in between the ships and the shore, conducting repairs, helping to guide the landing craft to the shore, disposing of obstacles, setting up medical posts and of course helping injured soldiers. On the morning of D-Day, as you were approaching Omaha Beach you were ordered back as the landing zone had become too chaotic and dangerous. Instead you returned the following day along with four other radio men. You would stay in the area for the following three weeks and endure many Nazi counter attacks including deadly gas attacks. Once the beach was deemed clear, you and your men set sail westwards. Some of you went back home to the USA, while others, such as yourself, sailed on to the Pacific Theatre of operations to continue the fight against Japan. For your astounding bravery and courage you were awarded the World War Two Victory Medal and the European-African-Middle Eastern theatre ribbon with one Service Star, the Bronze Star and the Distinguished Unit Badge for the important role you played during the landings in Normandy." The National Order of the Legion of Honor was created by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802 to acknowledge services rendered to France by persons of great merit. The Order is the highest decoration in France. In attendance were sons Wilfred Thomas and Herbert Alan, Wilfred Thomas' wife Christine, and their three children, Thomas Arthur, Amanda Neva, and Dylan Roscoe, family friends Stan and Ann Leonard, Rick and Cheryl Dynan and their son Tommy. Unable to attend was Herbert's son James Wilfred, who is studying abroad in Egypt.

We started this week with one-half inch to an inch of snow in most places. Warming temperatures have resulted in a few icy spots, which will no doubt have washed away entirely in Wednesday's rain before you read this. Walking in the woods is more interesting with a bit of white stuff on the ground, because all sorts of tracks show up. Mike has seen lots of deer spoor, and we both have noticed plenty of coyote tracks. Yes, they are right here in the "big city."

Thanksgiving Day was crowded, noisy, delicious, and fun. All three Hoeh daughters and their respective families were with us, as well as the Stancioffs' Danish exchange student, Rene, and Elisabeth's boyfriend, Kirill. The 21-pound turkey had a slight dent made in it, but we are enjoying turkey sandwiches, turkey pie, and the prospect of turkey soup. Sometimes I think that leftovers are the best part of the big day.

I suspect that the ladies of the West Bethel Union Church have been as busy as Santa's elves this week, preparing for the annual Christmas greens sale on Saturday. Be sure to stop by to find what you need for decorations.

On the same day, the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel will host its annual Christmas Tea and Fair, a good place to do some gift shopping. There will be all sorts of goings-on all day, in and around town, so be aware and be there.

The Pleasant Valley Grange has lost two valued long-time members this past week: Helen Saunders, whom I wrote about last week, and Rupert Grover, who passed a few days later. In John Applin's words, both will be sorely missed by

one and all. We send our condolences to both families and to their many friends, as well.

Yet another loss occurred on Nov. 25, one which touches on a number of West Bethel residents. Mabel Kennett, known for her years as a teacher, for her prowess as a quilter, and for the life that she modeled, succumbed to leukemia. She was a friend and mentor to many, including me, and we will have many good memories of her. Our sincere sympathy goes to her husband, Alden, their three children, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Black Friday and Cyber Monday have passed, and the frantic rush to shop, shop,

shop has begun. I often think that we have lost sight of the real message of the holiday season, whatever religious beliefs we follow. Might do us all good to shop less and love more.

We cut our tannenbaum out in the snowy woods, and it sits in the garage, awaiting the day when we put it up and decorate with lights and ornaments. That reminds me, it's time to buy tinsel icicles, instead of waiting until the last minute, when there will

be none left to buy. Let's see if this good intention doesn't find its way to the road to you-know-where.

The hairy woodpeckers, chickadees, cardinals, and occasional nuthatches visit the feeders from time to time, but not as frequently as we'd like. Let me know what you're seeing in your yards and gardens. Or whatever else you're up to. dhoeh@megalink.net; 824-2917.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz

This week I have the pleasure to write about some of the joyous Holiday celebrations. So, let's get right to it.

Diane Howe and Michael Blaisdell had the following Thanksgiving dinner guests: Peter and Elsie Seames, Dustin and Marian Howe, Jason Coolidge and Bekah Howe with children Kimball and Quinn, Rob Hayes and Alyssa Howe with children Skylar and Dylan, Andrea Howe with daughter Savannah Merrill, Shanda Morgan with children Hailey and Hunter, and Macy Blaisdell and Heather McAllister with Landon Blaisdell.

At Butch and Ann Crockett's house Jarrod and his wife Paige, Ryan Stowell, Jen and Lee Norris, Grace Gibson, Esther Wilson, Gerard Dupont, Ken and Suzi Whitley enjoyed their Holiday dinner together.

Jarrod will be sworn in for District 91 on Dec. 1. Jarrod — all your family, friends, and the neighborhood are so proud of you. Thank you and also a big head's up to his wonderful wife Paige. It just stands to prove again that behind every great man stands a great woman.

Jean Grover spent Thanksgiving with her son Jim, daughter Dawn, and extended family.

Bettyann and Sonny Hastings had an early Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday with Jay and Crystal Aylward, Meeba, Anna, and little Alison. On Thanksgiving they went to Jack and Julie Warwick's for dinner. Scott and Ellen Franklin with children Kathryn, John, and Summer; Eric and Celeste Hastings with sons Zach and Tom;

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log:**Thursday, Nov. 24**

At 7:27 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to the North Road for a single-vehicle, property damage accident. A vehicle had gone off the road into some trees.

At 11:13 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to Mountain View Circle for a report someone had gone through a snowmobile trailer during the night. Nothing appeared to be missing.

At 12:01, 12:20 and 12:34 p.m. Capt. Hart Daley conducted background checks on weapons permit applications.

At 2:31 p.m. Deputy Mike Parshall received a report of two vehicles operating erratically on Route 2. The vehicles were located and a warning issued.

Friday, Nov. 25

At 6:19 p.m. a caller reported hitting a deer on Route 26 in Paris. There was no vehicle damage but the deer was dead. The caller was now in Bethel and wanted a tag for the deer. Deputy Mike Halacy was assigned.

Saturday, Nov. 26

At 8:29 a.m. a subject reported he had hit a tree on the Flat Road. There were no injuries. Cpl. Brian Landis was assigned.

At 10:24 a.m. a caller reported he had had an accident on the Songo Pond Road, with minor injuries. Cpl. Brian Landis responded.

At 11:06 p.m. a caller reported that a friend of the family had taken a vehicle on the East Bethel Road without permission. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

Sunday, Nov. 27

At 12:30 a.m. on Route 26 Deputy Dani Welch arrested John W. Hardin, 26, of Bethel for OUI.

At 3:51 a.m. a caller reported striking a deer on Route 26. The passenger side window was caved in. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

At 4:09 p.m. Deputy Mike Halacy responded to the Sunday River Road for an accident.

At 7:34 p.m. a business on the Sunday River Road reported that an intoxicated subject had smashed out a window. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned. After interviewing several patrons and a couple of other businesses a name of a possible suspect was obtained. The deputy and Deputy Mike Halacy continued the investigation.

Tuesday, Nov. 29

At 8:51 a.m. Deputy Mike Parshall responded to the Walkers Mills Road for a report of a possible sexual assault that occurred a week ago.

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Jack's son Scott and wife Angela Warwick with their sons Troy and Aiden all were there to celebrate together.

Arlene Harrington left on Wednesday for her daughter's house in Durham to spend the Holiday with her and family, and came home on Saturday.

At my house we had an early Thanksgiving dinner on Wednesday evening. My daughter Katy, her husband Jim, my grandsons Ben and Boden, my son Ryan, and Eric Berard enjoyed our dinner and time together.

I would love to hear from more folks about how they spent their Holiday. So, please, call me 824-3220 or email me han@megalink.net.

Now I would like to take a moment to thank those neighbors who helped my daughter, son, and the kids after someone had run them off the road Friday evening. I do so blessed to live in such a nice, caring, and friendly neighborhood!

This week is also the answer to the Trivia. The 1892 East Bethel School Report stated, "Mary Hutchins (now Mrs. Wallace Clark) taught the spring term. She had 21 pupils and was paid \$6 per week. Mr. J.S. Hutchins during the fall and winter, had 30 pupils and received \$10. Two rows of seats were added to the school room." I do appreciate all the participation and especially the extra research it inspires. One just has to love history.

Have a great week.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman

We got just enough snow and rain to make traveling a little treacherous. There were a few accidents last week. Two of them were on the North Road and one was just below town in the construction area. Last Saturday, the construction crew was working and installing a guard rail.

My brother, Steve McLain, has been seeing some of the winter birds at their feeder this past week. He mentioned that the Chickadees fly around him when he goes outside. They do not seem to be afraid of anyone.

Steve and Lise McLain were guests at Brad McLain and Carole Mason's for Thanksgiving Dinner. They also attended the Rotary Club breakfast this past weekend. They enjoyed the company of Brad McLain, Carole Mason and Ryan Seames while they were there.

Lise went to visit her father, Gerard Dupont, this past weekend and had to impart some bad news to him. His sister-in-law from Quebec City passed away a few days ago. She was 91 years old. Condolences go out to the family.

Hugh and I went out for Thanksgiving Dinner this year. We met Tim and Michele, along with Sidney and Ajay, at the Town and Country in Shelburne, N.H. Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau, joined us. We had a great time.

Hugh and I went to the craft



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fair at the Wilkin's House in Waterford last Saturday. We saw Perry and Happy Chapman. They are members of the GHS and were here at Friends and Family Day last June. While they were helping the GHS, they were selling tickets for a beautiful quilt to raise money to benefit The City

Brook Trail, A Project of the Friends of City Brook, South Waterford, Maine. When we got home, we got a call from Happy. Hugh had won the quilt! I can't wait to bring it home and enjoy it.

Last Sunday, Hugh and I were catching up on some work for the GHS and had just got off the phone with Bob and Judy Bishop. We noticed a car pulling into the driveway. It was Bill and Gale Tout! They were staying at their condo at Sunday River for a couple of weeks during the Thanksgiving holiday. It was great to see them and catch up on their travels up and down the Mis-

sissippi and Tennessee rivers in their houseboat. They have seen a lot of birds and other wildlife. They are quite happy with their decision to live on a riverboat.

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time Mainers believed would happen to a person who whistled in the kitchen? Upton's annual Christmas party is this Saturday, Dec. 4 at 6 p.m. in the school house. Local children will be putting on a Christmas play and some will play musical instruments. Everyone will be singing! There will be goodies to eat and bingo to play. Santa just confirmed that he'll be there as well and he's bringing gifts galore! Hope you don't miss it!

The Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club (of which we're members) entered a float in the Christmas parade in South Paris. Whew! It was a long walk. We won third prize and have heard from folks out of town that we "made the news on television" as we danced down the street - but nobody in Upton saw it because the electricity was off for hours Saturday night due to someone hitting a pole in the 13-mile woods.

A partridge flew through one of the windows of the doors in the school building. The grange hall has had broken windows by the same method. There must be something wrong with these Upton birds, eh?

If you whistled in the kitchen "back in the day" it would sour the milk, keep the bread from rising and "work" the freshest cider. The tea kettle whistle was the only one allowed in kitchens.

Have a wonderful week. Se-

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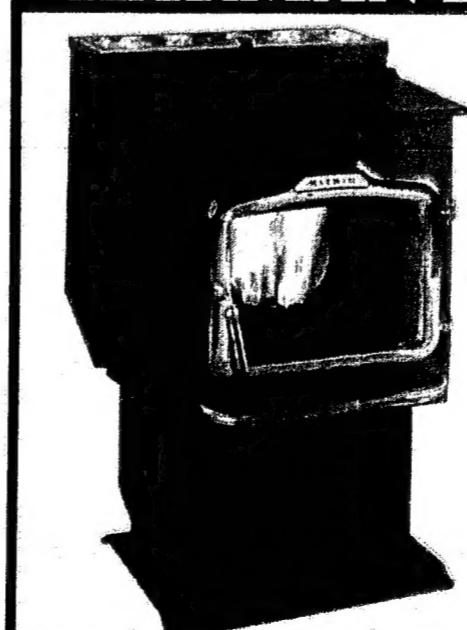
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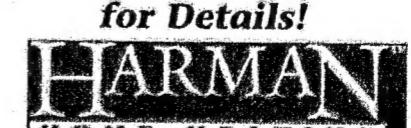
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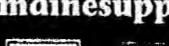
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serts, singing and good company. Last year everybody had a good time and let's do it again!

During the holiday season Gardner Roberts Memorial Library will be open on Dec. 8, 15, and 22. The Book Bakery will be open with holiday treats and the Bees have some new gifts to sell. The library will be closed Dec. 23 until after the New Year Holiday and will reopen Jan. 5, 2011, depending upon Mother Nature.

Thanksgiving was peaceful this year with family gatherings around. Bill and Gail Worcester entertained Darren, Fran, Wyatt and David Worcester with a great feast. Donna and Clem Worcester had Lisa Thebarger and Peter Peare for Thursday dinner. Weekend guests were Brian, Sara, Kaylynn, Shawnee and Makala Worcester. One old fellow said he was going to pass up the traditional meal for oyster stew. Mmmm, sounds good.

Several days of ice, sleet, snow, and howling winds made the holiday travel difficult. You know it must be slippery when the sand truck has to back up the hill. There were reports of several cars going off the road.

Newry

By Seneca Corriveau

The end of the year is nearly here. If you think I'm rushing things a bit stop and realize that Halloween really was more than a month ago, not just the other day. With a glutinous, friend and family-filled Thanksgiving newly passed behind us, I, for one, reach for Christmas with eagerness and excitement. After all, I did vow to never grow up! This is surely my favorite time of year. Decorations, lights and gift giving are mere reflections of the love and hope that are shared so freely.

In fact, I am so fired up over the holidays this year that I actually went shopping on "Black Friday," you know the dreaded day after Thanksgiving that should be called "Broke Friday." Instead I am usually at the Bethel Wares Fare, peddling an array of my newest endeavors. However, my sister and I took a year off to become consumers ourselves.

Due to the nasty ice and snow that fell during the night, we opted to leave after lunch. Together with our mother, we enjoyed a great girls night out shopping. Shelves were

empty by the time we reached them, and most of the people we met looked like walking zombies - the lure of the "deal" captivates the masses. I think next year I will skip this over-hyped shopping frenzy; once was enough for me.

The flurry of activity hasn't ended though. This will continue until the last, with traffic being the largest obstacle.

Please pay close attention while driving. I have talked with many people and had firsthand experiences with the craziness on the roads this time of year. As Christmas draws near, I think people tend to lose focus of its intended meaning, focusing instead on the rush to do and to buy. People, slow down, pay attention to the here and now.

Kindness, generosity and compassion are truly the best gifts to give!

Current and future fans of "Midnite Haze" - don't forget the CD Release Party Dec. 5 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the funky Red Barn. tickets are just \$2 at the door.

Got news? sabcart@gmail.com

Andover

By Melinda Averill

Hello Andover friends. This weekend is the annual RAA-PA presentation of "A Musical Christmas Card" held at the Mountain Valley High School auditorium. Show times are Saturday evening at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Adults are \$10 and kids 12 and under are \$5.

Also on Saturday is the Christmas Craft Fair at the First Congregational Church here in Andover. It is from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be a luncheon throughout the day, cookies, fudge, homemade Christmas ornaments, vendors and a holiday basket raffle.

Next Saturday, Dec. 11, is the Craft Fair at the Andover fire station, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Santa will be making a special appearance at 1 o'clock.

Last weekend my husband Doug, our daughter Kelsey, friend Scott Farrington and his son Josh, and friends Harold Verrill and his son Cody ventured to Scott's family camp near Caribou Lake for a few days of hunting. Night one - the generator blew; day two they went back to camp because Doug didn't feel well. Soon they were on their way out to the meet the ambulance; he was having a heart attack. From the hospital in Greenville he was helicoptered to

CMMC in Lewiston. Needless to say, a week later he is doing well. Thank goodness!

Once again the town common is decorated nicely with lights and a tree.

Sent in by Elaine Morton: Cheryl and I were in Scarborough last week, and as I came out of Marden's someone said, "Elaine Morton!" I'm thinking now what did I drop with my name on it. I turned around - the person in the next vehicle said, "It's you!" It was Ellen Greek, a neighbor who lived on the Cross Road in Andover. We had a nice chat. This is for Ellen Greek.

It's hard to believe that this week is December-Happy shopping everyone!

Mason

By Richard Grover

I'm happy to report that 10-year-old Boston Ludden shot his deer last Friday. He was hunting with his dad, Matt, in the national forest near a place that used to be called Mud City. The deer was a seven-point buck that weighed in at about 187 pounds. The only fly in the ointment was that Matt's pickup slid off the road and was totaled shortly after they left the national forest boundary. Luckily, neither was hurt, and Grandpa Craig Ryerson picked them up and took them to the tagging station in his pickup.

Not so happily, we learned that my older brother Rupert passed away Thanksgiving Day after a long-running, debilitating illness. He was 90 years old, and his body just wore out, I think. Being one of eleven brothers and sisters, he left a very large extended family and a huge number of friends throughout Oxford County and beyond. Minister John Williams conducted a very nice and well-attended funeral service at the West Bethel Union Church on Sunday. Five-year-old great-granddaughter Sophie Hanscom wowed everyone with a solo rendition of the song, "Fly Like a Snowflake," dedicated to Grandpa Rupert. Eldest son, Rupert Jr. and grandson/daughter David Hanscom and Becky Cole made moving presentations representing the sentiments of the rest of us family members. A committal service at the Flat Road cemetery and large get-together at the Bethel Inn followed the



LATE SEASON PRIZE—Boston Ludden, 10, shot a deer last Friday while hunting with his dad, Matt, in the White Mountain National Forest. The deer was a 7-point buck that weighed in at about 187 pounds.

funeral service. Everyone hated to have Rupert leave us, but I think we all agreed that his passing was a blessing at this time due to his failing health. We miss him terribly.

On a lighter note, Dan Whitman has been helping me build a large shed to house our camper trailer. As we put the finishing touches on the purloins (wood strapping to support the steel roofing panels I plan to install), I decided to squeeze between the strapping boards (about 9 inches apart) in order to descend the ladder inside the shed which leaned against the base of the roof trusses. When I got my lower body through the strapping, my belt got hung up, and I found I couldn't go either up or down! Surprisingly, my chest and abdomen are thicker than my butt! But did Dan help? No! He just shouted for Mona to get the camera. Some friend! Lucky for me, I was able to unbuckle my belt and struggle back up onto the roof. I still bought Dan's pizza at Pat's on Friday night.

(Note: below is a poem about the passing of Rupert Grover)
Saying Goodbye
By Richard Grover

It's always hard to say goodbye to a friend or loved one. But this time, it's plain Rupert's time had come.

He was a man of action, with always a task that must be done.

A tree to cut, a row to hoe, a trout to catch, a deer to chase or a touch o' rum.

A drummer to bag, a beaver to trap, a tree to tap, a mache to fix, a hide to paste.

A saw to file, a field to mow, a friend to rib, a shoe to toss or some other fun.

Like cards to play, smelts to catch, berries to pick, no time to waste.

He liked short trout, skipper meat, short legged blonds, a good dog, mossy horned deer and chain saws.

There was always so much fun to have, so little time and so many laws.

Like the laws of aging and wearing out

That finally caught him, without a doubt.

He got trapped in a body that could no longer do anything Like an eagle unable to fly with a busted wing.

It hurt to see him trapped like that

I'm glad he's released, and that's a fact.

West Paris

By Joyce Lamb

Christmas is here next door. Decorations are all across the front of the house with some along the back garden fence. The tree on the front lawn is loaded with lighted large candy canes and colored balls. All is multi-colored and flashing.

Thanksgiving news:

Ruth Hazelton was at her son's home in Lisbon to eat with him and his wife and granddaughter.

Maxine Cram enjoyed her special dinner with her son, Arnold, and his wife, Sandy, and their family.

Rebecca Chase entertained her parents, Wendy and Randy Chase, and her grandmother, Dede Chase, at her new home.

Beverly and Vince Stevens had as guests Stacy and Darcy on Thanksgiving day. On Friday they entertained John and Linda Stevens of Rangeley, Dave and Cindy Stevens of New Gloucester, Ben Stevens of Lewiston, and Tina and Joshua Goodwin and sons

David and Donavon of new Gloucester.

Sunday, Bruce Thayer of Norway visited with Vince and Beverly Stevens.

Beryl Bonney was at the Merrill Farm in Waterford to be with the family for the day.

At the West Paris Universalist Church the Rev. Richard Beal will conduct the service at 9 a.m. All are welcome.

Son-in-law Mike Seaton came for me on Wednesday to spend the night in Augusta to celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday. Daughter Peggy prepared the bountiful meal including right-from-the-oven wheat rolls - her specialty. Rob Collins brought a tender turkey which he had smoked. It was a small, quiet group with no children. There was just Peg's dog, Mazie, and Jude's dog, Mattie, for excitement. The dogs had a nice long walk which helped settle the adults' dinners. Peg and Mike and Mazie returned me home at about five. A nice relaxing sunny but windy day.

On Saturday son Kenneth brought a turkey and other ingredients and he and I prepared another Thanksgiving feast. Caleb Lamb of Syracuse University and friend joined us. Caleb returned to the university on Sunday where he is busy studying and working in communications.

Muffin does not care for people food so would not even try the turkey. She did get a bit extra cat food though.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt

Franklin Grange 124 met on Saturday, Nov. 20, for a regular meeting and Thanksgiving program. Anna Swan was made an honorary member.

Some reports on repairs were made. Discussion was held on putting in a bathroom downstairs. Anyone wishing to help with this project, either to help build it or money toward it, would be much welcome. A potluck dinner was held following the meeting. Next meeting is Dec. 4 for a Christmas program and potluck dinner.

Charlene Hoyt was guest of honor at a surprise birthday party at her home Saturday, Nov. 20. Around 35 attended: a good time was had by all. Services at the Baptist church are Sunday school

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at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening service at 6. Wednesday evening is prayer meeting at 6:30. Saturday, Dec. 4 at 10 a.m. is Church Decorating for Christmas; Saturday, Dec. 11 at 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Calvary Bible Church, Andover. Sunday, Dec. 19, at 6 p.m. is the Church Christmas program.

Dec. 2 (today) the Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills. Dinner will be served by the Legion Auxiliary and program is Forestdale children with their music program. This starts at 11:30 meeting.

The Whitman Memorial Library will hold their December program on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 1:30 p.m. with the Woodstock Elementary School chorus under the direction of Linda Stowell, and a Christmas sing-a-long with Susan Glines. Come and join them, all welcome, no charge and light refreshments. Please note earlier time of 1:30 instead of 2 p.m.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jerry Johnson. Hope you had a nice Thanksgiving. We did -- Ken and I joined my sister and husband, John and Leatrice Chase and family and most of my family at John and Leatrice's home in Locke Mills. I think there were 28 present. A delicious meal and a good time was had by all.

The Historical Society will meet on Dec. 4 at the Market Square Health Care for a potluck supper and meeting. This is the Christmas party with exchange of gifts. The Museum is closed for

Mahoosuc Arts Council receives grant

The Mahoosuc Arts Council was awarded a grant for \$3,300 from the New England Foundation for the Arts through the New England States Touring Program to present the modern dance troupe Adele Myers and Dancers in January of 2011.

"I am interested in people dancing not dancers moving. I make theatrical narrative non-fiction dance told from a female perspective - usually with a sense of humor. These dances originate from personal experience, I then explore how that experience intersects with popular culture as part of the collective unconscious. These intersections are conveyed through a chunky non-linear collage format combining energetic robust athleticism, everyday gestures and text. I tend toward a social commentary that often asks, why aren't we being more honest about this?" stated Choreographer, Dancer and Artistic Director Adele Meyers.

The Mahoosuc Arts Council, which has been supporting the advancement of the arts and humanities of the adult communities and school systems of the Greater Bethel Area since 1986, will be hosting Adele Myers and Dancers' innovative multi-media work as part of the 2010-2011 Gould Performing Arts Series, Tuesday, Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. at Bingham Auditorium on the Gould Academy Campus. The troupe will also perform Jan. 5 for the Telstar Regional Middle and High schools and for area home schooled and district charter school students.

Founded in 2000, Adele Myers and Dancers is a five-member contemporary dance company combining robust athleticism, theatricality, and social commentary. The mission of Adele Myers and Dancers is to create engaging dances that are accessible to a wide range of audience members.

Myers' choreography has been presented nationally including Jacob's Pillow Inside/



INFORMAL CLASS REUNION—Several members of the Gould Academy Class of 1963, along with spouses, gathered in Bethel recently for an informal dinner. Pictured are, seated: Sheila Roberts Harrington, Nancy Brown Vargi, Kathleen Jackson. Standing: Norma Kimball Salway, Darlene Morrill Baker, Mary Ann Chase Vinton, Freda Bennett Davis, Julia Brown Bennett, Clifford Jackson.

Out; Bates Dance Festival; Tanglewood Music Center; Velocity Dance Center; New Haven International Festival of Arts and Ideas; Stonington Opera House; DanceNowNYC; Dance New Amsterdam and Joyce SoHo. Adele Myers and Dancers has received support from the City of New Haven, the State of Connecticut, the LEF Foundation, NEFA's RDI series, and the Maggie Allessee National Center for Choreography (MANCC).

The grant will go toward covering part of the artist fees to produce the exuberant and exciting performances, which are also supported in part by grants from Gould Academy and SAD 44.

Tickets for the Adele Myers and Dancer are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children and seniors. If you are a home schooler or parent and would like to be included in the announcements for Mahoosuc Arts Pro-

gramming, please contact 824-3575, info@mahoosucarts.org or www.mahoosucarts.org.

Community Band events

The Mahoosuc Community Band will have its annual Holiday Concert Sunday, Dec. 12, at 4 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel.

The band has added many new selections to the holiday concert, thanks to Jim Mann and the Mt. Mann Jewelers. New songs include "Christmas Day" by Gustav Holst, "Midnight Sleighride" featuring percussion, by Sauter and Finegan, "Cowboy Christmas" arranged by Jeff Simmons and providing a country flavor to traditional songs, "March of the Toys" by Victor Herbert, and a humorous version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" with narration of the traditional poem arranged by Jack Bullock.

Refreshments following the concert allow time to visit with the musicians. Donations help with music and instrument purchases and ongoing costs to run the volunteer community band.

The band has been bringing music to the greater Bethel area for approximately 17 years. It was formed to share music when the SAD 44 music program was eliminated for a few years, as a cost-saving effort. Since then both the SAD 44 music program and the Mahoosuc Community Band have grown. The community band now includes people from Hanover, Rumford, Dixfield, Waterford, Woodstock, Bethel, Albany, and South Paris. It's a group of people of all ages that just enjoy making music together. Rehearsals are Monday nights from 7 to 8:45 p.m. at the West Parish

Congregational Church basement.

Following the December concert, the band takes a break until Jan. 3, 2011. School musicians are encouraged to join the Monday night rehearsals and enhance their Middle School or High School music programs. The band plans a spring concert in May before the summer performances and parades for Molyockett Day, Memorial Day, and Veterans Day.

New members, or old-timers who may need to dust off their instruments, are always welcome. Contact Patricia Boyle-Wight, director, (824-8453 or PBoyleWight@Ants.edu) or Kathleen DeVore, president, (875-2364 or katedev@aol.com) for more information.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2010, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association v. James E. Thompson*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-09-78, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said James E. Thompson to the Jordan Grand Condominium Owners Association said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendant, his successors or assigns,

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 31, 2010, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Use Period IV in Unit 258 (the "Quarter Share Estate") at the Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, a condominium established in accordance with the Maine Condominium Act, Chapter 31 of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, and in accordance with the Maine statute regarding Time Share, Chapter 10-A of Title 33 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1964, as amended, together with said Quarter Share Estate's percentage interest and all other appurtenant rights in Common Elements and Limited Common Elements all as more particularly described in the Declaration of Condominium. The Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, Newry, Maine, dated December 17, 1997, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 2507, Page 117 (the "Declaration"), and as delineated on the Plats and Plans of The Jordan Grand at Sunday River, A Condominium, recorded in said Registry of Deeds, Plan numbers 3085 through 3092.

Said Quarter Share Estate and appurtenances are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all of the terms, provisions, conditions, restrictions, easements, covenants, obligations, reservations and encumbrances contained or referred to in said Declaration and said Plats and Plans, all of which are incorporated herein, as the same may be amended or modified from time to time.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to James E. Thompson by Warranty deed of Grand Summit Resort Properties, Inc., dated September 24, 2001, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 3034, Page 336, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at the sale or may be obtained by contacting the Association at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 19th day of November, 2010.

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Honor Roll

TELSTAR HIGH/MIDDLE SCHOOLS

The following students have been named to the Telstar Middle/High School Honor Roll for the first quarter of school year 2010-2011.

GRADE 6

High Honors: Matthew Bennett, Kaitlyn Brown, Joshua Eliot, Markus Wentworth.

Honors: Zoe Bean, Emily Brownstein, Matthew Chiasson, George Connors, Mallory Corriveau, Cyrena Cox, Kimberly Drew, Alex Duclos, Paige Dutterer, Avry Griffin, Caitlin Haines, Kristi Hanscom, Regan

Kauf, Schuyler Leff, Deziree MacKillop, Abby Marshall, Elizabeth Mitchell, Kaitlyn Mitchell, Wynter Morin, James Newkirk, India Orino, Alice Pelletier, Chasity Pike, Jessica Pike, Jeremiah Richardson, Sierra Ryerson, Willis Steven, Zachary Stone, Alexandria Turnick, Souix-Ann Tuttle.

GRADE 7
High Honors: Willough Perry, Andrew Siegel, Cassidy Smith.

Honors: Shannon Alanskas, Rachel Barton, Jacob Bennett, Carla Boyle-Wight, Christian Brown, Caleb Clarke, Keith Crockett, Caleb Currier, Dharma Damon, Lisa Gammon, Tucker Hayward, Rebecca Howard, Ani Inman, Mitchell Lehman, Cameron Rothwell, Ashley Savage, Madeline Simard, Amber Souve, Brendon Stearns, Savannah Vermette, John Walker.

GRADE 8
High Honors: Rose Goldberg, Aaron Speakman, Rebecca-Lyn Tuttle, Anna Tyrina, Kyler Walker.

Honors: Matthew Barton, Devon Berry, Aiden Clarke, Aislinn Forbes, Rachel Goldberg, Tyra Howes, Alexandra Leff, Elizabeth

Lyons, Katherine Merrill, Lakota Monzo, Joseph Putnam, Maxwell Southam, Gabrielle Stone, Gregory Wheeler, Travis Wheeler.

GRADE 9
High Honors: Alyssa Brands, Eric Lowell, Gabrielle Monzo, Alexandria Risko, Jennifer Wakefield.

GRADE 10
High Honors: Kevin Annis, Althea Jean Cary, Colton Davis, Rachael Wheeler.

GRADE 11
High Honors: Adam Maher.

Honors: Emily Bellinger, Britany Douglass, Naomi Ellsworth, Jennifer Martin, Lyndsay Merrill, Hunter Verrill, Karen White, Daniel Whitney.

GRADE 12
High Honors: Victoria Forkus, Elek Pew, Jamie Steven.

Honors: Joshua Bellinger, Dylan Coolidge, Emma Davis, Cheyanne Day, Emily DeCarolis, Jean Lawrence, Morgan Lee, Timothy O'Connor, Grace Stover, Melissa Waterhouse.

CRESCENT PARK ELEMENTARY
The following students have

been named to the Crescent Park School Honor Roll for the first quarter of school year 2010-2011.

GRADE 4

High Honors: Julia Aug, Lilo Bean, Nicole Berry, Lavinia Clarke, Hannah Evans, Emily

Willis, Brooke Richardson, Lily Weaver.

Honors: Alivia Chappie, Julia

Cherkis, Selena Creelman, Madison Drapeau, Preston Fultz, Brooklyn Gordon, Kurtis Grover, Victoria

Hamel, Emalee Harrington, Peyton Hart, Luke Hayward, Blake Katlin, Matthew Lavoie, Tristen Lilly, Jacob Putnam, Sadie Richardson, Madison

Roberts, Mia Shifrin, Thomas Watson, Sarahanne Wright.

GRADE 5

High Honors: Ben Alford, Frances Bailey, Aliyah Connolly, Caroline Finley, Tanner Kist, Taylor Mason, Marta Opie, Maddox

Ormiston, Ana Rossow.

Honors: Sarah Bartlett, Elyana S. Harrison, Janay Learned-Stewart, Savannah

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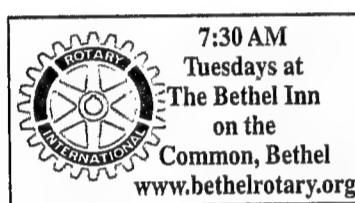
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PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Title 28 M.R.S.A. 252 -- a notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on December 6, 2010, at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License Renewal and Entertainment permit renewal from Sunday River Brewing Co. located at 29 Sunday River Rd. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at info@bethelmaine.org

Christen Mason
Town Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Title 28 M.R.S.A 252 -- a notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on December 6, 2010 at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License renewal from Chosun located on Main St. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at info@bethelmaine.org

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*** Public Notice ***

The Bethel Board of Appeals will hear the appeal of the Planning Board Determination of Applicability of Site Plan Review.

The Funky Red Barn
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Appellant: Mark Egeberg

The Bethel Board of Appeals will meet on Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 5:00 pm in the Town Office meeting room to hear the appeal of the Planning Board Determination of Applicability of Site Plan Review.

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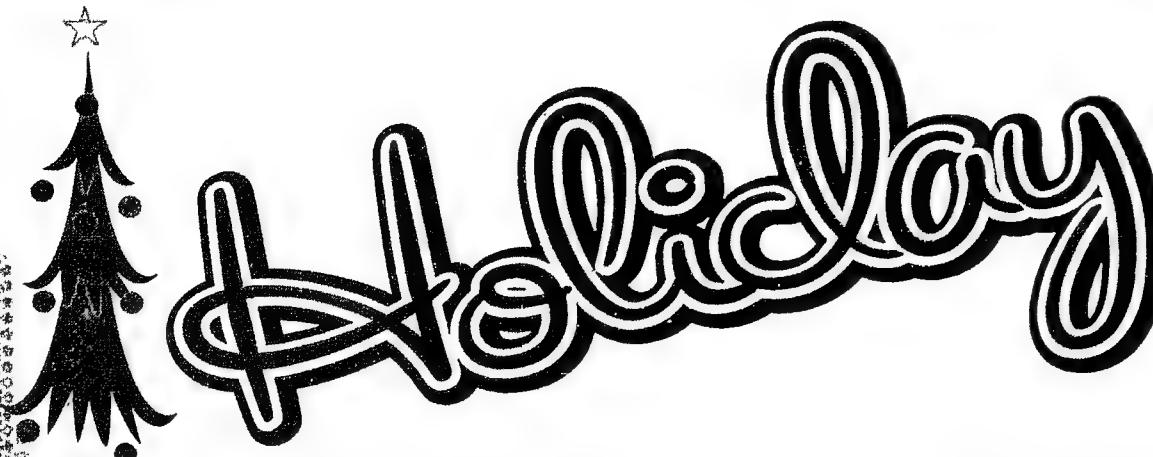
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Happenings Around Town

Country Christmas In Bethel November 26-December 24

Local Craft & Wares Fair, wagon rides through Bethel village, Taste of Bethel & Theme Wreath Auction, open houses, shopping specials, Arrival of Santa & Christmas tree lighting, the Living Nativity, all creating a fun country Christmas atmosphere!

FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

Christmas for Families Benefit Bingo Friday, December 3

This benefit is a way to help families in the area that need a little help...and have fun at the same time! At the American Legion Post in Locke's Mills. Raffles. Food Sale, Mountain Bike Raffle. Money Raffle. Non-smoking. Doors open at 4:00pm. Games start at 6pm.

Non-smoking. Doors open at 4:00pm.

Games start at 6pm. FMI: Nina Wheeler, 207-836-3600. Legion Hall, 207.875.2375

Breakfast with Santa Saturday, December 4

Visit with Santa and have your photo taken! At Crescent Park Elementary School, Crescent Lane, Bethel. 9-11AM. Free admission. Food and beverages. Crafts to make. Pictures with Santa for \$1.

Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides Saturday, December 4

Free horse-drawn wagon rides, 2-4pm on the Bethel Common. FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

Christmas at the Mason House Saturday, December 4

Music & refreshments in the Mason House period rooms, decorated in traditional nineteenth century style and illuminated by candles. Free and open to the public (donations appreciated); 3:30 to 5:00 PM, 14 Broad Street; FMI, Bethel Historical Society, 207-824-2908 /800-824-2910

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Christmas Fair & Tea Saturday, December 4

1-4pm at the West Parish Congregational Church, UCC, on Church Street in Bethel. Traditional Fireside Tea, Christmas Crafts, Cookie Walk, Knitted Items, Greens, Baked Goods, Gift Items, Special Treasures from the Attic.

Greens Sale Saturday, December 4

Wreaths, crafts, cookie walk, food and more. 9:30-11:30 AM. West Bethel Union Church, Route 2, West Bethel.

Public Supper & Tree Lighting Saturday, December 4

A country Christmas night out from cooking. Purchase a bulb for the Christmas Tree on the lawn at the Bethel Methodist Church in memory of or in honor of a loved one. \$5 each. Supper is at 5:30pm.

Adults: \$7 /Under 12: \$3. Tree lighting to follow.

Fourth Annual Bethel Area Business and Home EXPO Saturday, December 4

10am-2pm at Telstar High School gymnasium. Visit the 35-plus local and western Maine businesses and get to know what they offer. From Noon to 2 p.m. Taste of Bethel at Telstar Cafeteria. Also, Theme Wreath Auction

FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

Annual Taste of Bethel and Theme Wreath Silent Auction Saturday, December 4

Lots of delicious food! Beautiful wreaths to decorate your home or business! Saturday, noon - 2:00PM at Telstar High School, Walker's Mills Road, (Route 26 south) Bethel. TASTE OF BETHEL: Many area restaurants will be selling samples of their mouth-watering specialties...entrees, soups, pizza, desserts, beverages, etc. Samples: \$1 each. THEME WREATH AUCTION: Take home a wreath or two uniquely decorated by area businesses. Many include gift certificates or items that go with the theme of their business.

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Jingle Bell Run, Santa & Christmas Tree Lighting Saturday, December 4

At 4:00 pm everyone who wants to participate in the "Jingle Bell Run" is invited to gather on the lot behind the Civil War Monument on Main Street (across from the Key Bank). At 4:30 pm after a short welcome and making sure that all participants have their jingle bells tied to their shoelaces or boots, Mrs. Santa will lead everyone as they jog together slowly up Main Street and around the Bethel Common to the town Christmas tree. Santa will be arriving atop a fire truck to greet everyone. Next is the tree lighting and the singing of carols to start the holiday season.

Holiday Cotillion at The Bethel Inn Resort Saturday, December 11

An evening of dinner, dancing and cocktails! Celebrate the holidays, say "Thank You" to employees or enjoy just an evening out with friends! Reserve your table of 8 today...

the evening will begin with cocktail and passed hors d'oeuvres in The Millbrook Tavern & Grille followed by a four course dinner and live entertainment with The Elmore Twist Band in the Main Dining Room. Reserve your spot today, (207) 824-2175.

Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides Saturday, December 11

Free horse-drawn wagon rides, 2-4pm on the Bethel Common. FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides Saturday, December 18

Free horse-drawn wagon rides, 2-4pm on the Bethel Common. FMI: Bethel Area Chamber 824-2282

The Living Nativity Sunday, December 19

A live re-enactment of the nativity using real people and live animals is very inspiring! This event is held outside every year on the Bethel village common. Dress warm and come to the common on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 5:00pm to view this scene performed by local people...and animals. I wonder which new family will play Mary, Joseph, and the baby Jesus this year!

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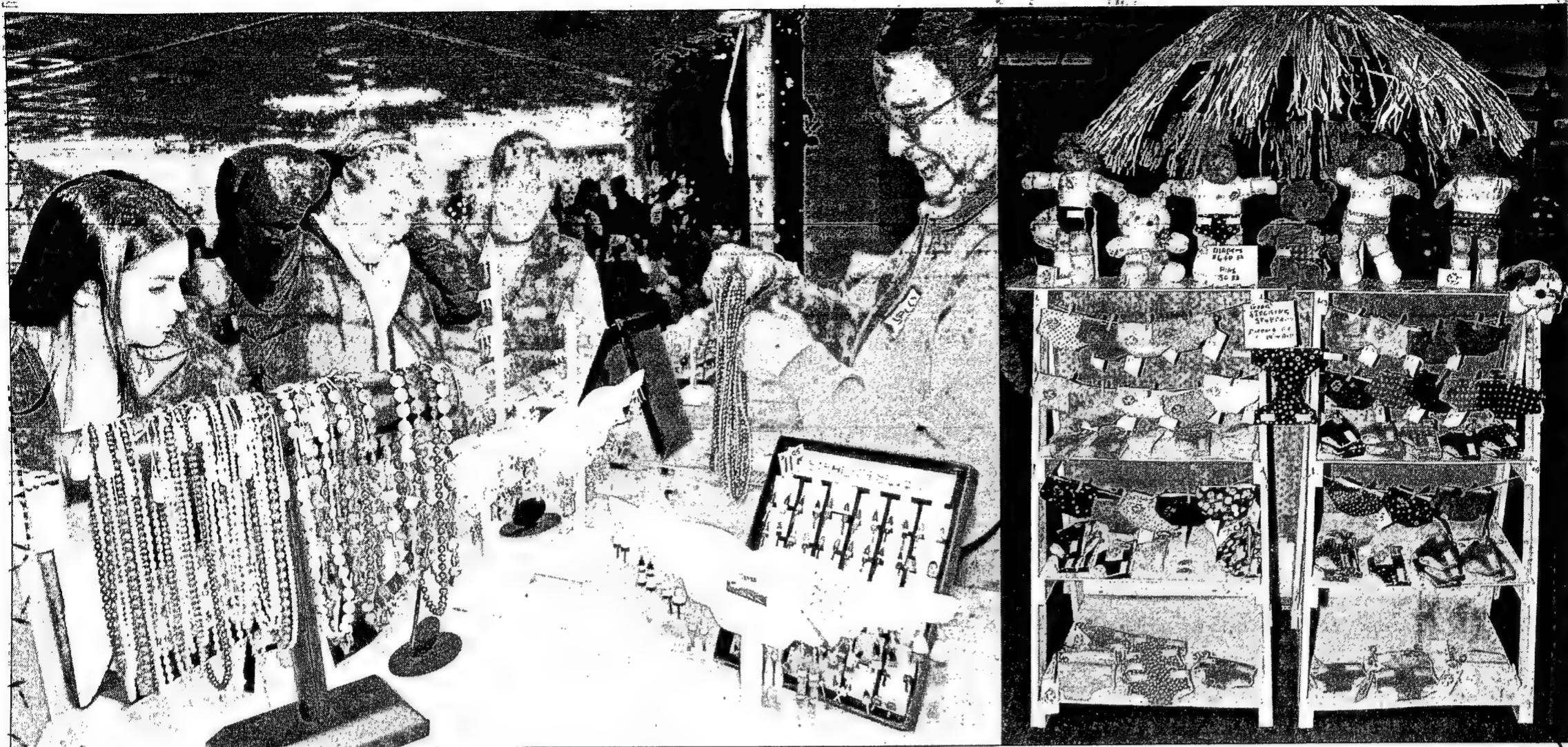
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A SAMPLER OF THE CRAFTS AND WARES that were available to admire and/or purchase on Black Friday, Nov. 26, at the Bethel Inn Conference Center—Clockwise from upper left: beadwork from Bragging About Beads, doll diapers from The Diaper Hut, scenic panoramas from Scott Perry, beadwork from Hooked on Beading, inspirational signs from Anne Feith, and bright and colorful dog collars and leashes from Elizabeth Kostura.

(Photos: M. Daniels)



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WINTER BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
December			
Friday 10	Carrabec (V only)	Carrabec	7:00
Tuesday 14	Madison	Telstar	5:30
Thursday 16	Lisbon (V only)	Lisbon	5:30
Tuesday 21	Livermore	Telstar	5:30
Thursday 23	Jay	Jay	5:30
Wednesday 29	Boothbay (V only)	Boothbay	7:00
January			
Monday 3	Dirigo (V only)	Telstar	7:00
Thursday 6	Mt. Abram (V only)	Telstar	4:00
Monday 10	Mountain Valley	Mountain Valley	5:30
Friday 14	Carrabec (V only)	Telstar	5:30
Tuesday 18	Madison	Madison	5:30
Thursday 20	Winthrop (V only)	Telstar	7:00
Monday 24	Livermore	Livermore	5:30
Thursday 27	Jay	Telstar	5:30
Monday 31	Dirigo (V only)	Dirigo	4:00
February			
Thursday 3	Wiscasset (V only)	Telstar	5:30
Monday 7	Mt. Abram (V only)	Mt. Abram	7:00
Wednesday 9	Mountain Valley	Telstar	5:30

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
December			
Friday 10	Carrabec (V only)	Carrabec	5:30
Monday 13	Madison	Telstar	5:30
Thursday 16	Lisbon (V only)	Lisbon	7:00
Monday 20	Livermore	Telstar	5:30
Wednesday 22	Jay	Jay	5:30
Wednesday 29	Boothbay (V only)	Boothbay	5:30
January			
Monday 3	Dirigo	Telstar	4:00
Thursday 6	Mt. Abram	Telstar	5:30
Tuesday 11	Mountain Valley	Mountain Valley	5:30
Friday 14	Carrabec (V only)	Telstar	7:00
Wednesday 19	Madison	Madison	5:30
Thursday 20	Winthrop (V only)	Telstar	5:30
Tuesday 25	Livermore	Livermore	5:30
Friday 28	Jay	Telstar	5:30
Monday 31	Dirigo	Dirigo	5:30
February			
Thursday 3	Wiscasset (V only)	Telstar	7:00
Monday 7	Mt. Abram	Mt. Abram	4:00
Thursday 10	Mountain Valley	Telstar	5:30

TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
December			
Saturday 4	Livermore Falls	Livermore	10:30
Thursday 9	Livermore	Livermore	3:30
Wednesday 15	Jay	Jay	3:30
Thursday 16	Mountain Valley	Telstar	3:30
Friday 17	Buckfield	Telstar	3:30
January			
Wednesday 5	Dirigo	Telstar	3:30
Saturday 8	Madison	Telstar	10:00
Wednesday 12	Carrabec (V only)	Telstar	3:30
Wednesday 19	Livermore	Telstar	3:30
Monday 24	Mountain Valley	Mountain Valley	3:30
Wednesday 26	Jay	Telstar	3:30
Monday 31	Buckfield	Buckfield: Hartford-Sumner Elem	3:30
February			
Wednesday 2	Dirigo	Dirigo	3:30
Saturday 5	Madison	Madison	12:30
Tuesday 8	Carrabec (V only)	Carrabec	3:30

TELSTAR MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

DATE	TEAM	PLACE	TIME
December			
Saturday 4	Livermore Falls	Livermore	10:00
Thursday 9	Livermore	Telstar	3:30
Wednesday 15	Jay	Telstar	3:30
Thursday 16	Mountain Valley	Mountain Valley	3:30
Friday 17	Buckfield	Buckfield: Hartford-Sumner Elem	3:30
January			
Wednesday 5	Dirigo	Dirigo	3:30
Saturday 8	Madison	Telstar	12:30
Wednesday 12	Carrabec (V only)	Telstar	4:45
Wednesday 19	Livermore	Livermore	3:30
Monday 24	Mountain Valley	Telstar	3:30
Wednesday 26	Jay	Jay	3:30
Monday 31	Buckfield	Telstar	3:30
February			
Wednesday 2	Dirigo	Telstar	3:30
Saturday 5	Madison	Madison	10:00
Tuesday 8	Carrabec (V only)	Carrabec	3:30

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Community Calendar

Thursday, Dec. 2

Christmas Light Bulbs, in honor of or in memory of, for trees at Jackson-Silver Unit 68 Legion Auxiliary, \$2. Tree lighting Thursday, Dec. 2. Contact Anita Hakala at 875-2375 or 527-2234.

7:30 p.m. - **Tamara Poddubnaya** and two of her piano students will perform at McLaughlin Science Center auditorium, Gould Academy.

Friday, Dec. 3

6 p.m. - **Benefit Bingo** for Christmas for Families at American Legion Post 68, Locke Mills. Doors open 4 p.m. FMI: 836-3600.

7 to 9 p.m. - **Holiday Art and Gift Show Opening** at Commons Art Collective, 443 Main Street, Norway. Hours: M, T, W, Sat, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday/Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. FMI: Nikki Millonzi 743-8579.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 10, 11, 12
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Friday/Saturday), 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sunday) - **McLaughlin Garden**, South Paris, hosts **Trees & Trains** in the Barn. Cost: \$3 members/\$5 non-members/\$3 children/ under 5 free. FMI: 743-8820.

December 3, 10, 18, 31

7 to 10 p.m. Dec. 3-10-18 - **Jones Dance Band** at South Paris Legion Hall. Friday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. For New Year's reservation call Betty Decoteau (743-7965). Cost: dance \$12.50 p/p, New Year's Buffet \$7 p/p.

Saturday, Dec. 4

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Christmas Craft Fair** by Andover First Congregational Church. Muffins, homemade biscuits, coleslaw, American chop suey and baked beans served throughout day. Cookies, fudge, homemade ornaments, vendors, holiday basket raffle. FMI table rental: Linda Couture at 364-7968.

9:30 to 11:30 - **Greens Sale** at West Bethel Union Church. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Fourth annual Bethel Area Business and Home EXPO** at Telstar High School gymnasium. Visit the 35-plus local and western Maine businesses and get to know what they offer. From Noon to 2 p.m. **Taste of Bethel** at Telstar Cafeteria. Also, **Theme Wreath Auction** (bidding closes at 2 p.m.). FMI: 824-2282.

1 to 4 p.m. - **Christmas Fair and Tea**, West Parish Congregational Church, UCC, Church Street, Bethel.

2 to 4 p.m. - **Rabies Clinic** at Bethel Fire Station. Fee: \$15 in cash only. Dog licenses for Bethel, Albany and Mason: \$11 per dog or \$6 per spayed or neutered dog.

3 to 5 p.m. - **Christmas at Bethel Historical Society Mason House** period rooms. Music and refreshments. Free/open to public. FMI: 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

3:30 p.m. - **Jingle Bell Run**, Main Street, Bethel. Assemble at Key Bank to obtain bells.

4:30 p.m. - **Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas Tree Lighting** on Bethel Common. Santa arrives for the tree lighting.

5:30 p.m. - **Public Supper and Tree Lighting** at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

6 p.m. - **Audience of One** presents a Christmas Concert at Woodstock Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Perkins Valley Road, Bryant Pond. The vocal trio comprised of local artists Winnie Hodson, Debi Verrill, Patti Yates. Free will offering taken following concert.

Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 and 5
9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - **Holiday Open House** at Frost Farm Gallery, 272 Pikes Hill, Norway. Great discounts. FMI: 743-8041 or 890-8895 (cell) or visit www.FrostFarmGallery.com.

Sunday, Dec. 5

12:30 p.m. - **Oxford County Democrats Potluck Lunch/Meeting** at Crescent Park School, Crescent Lane, Bethel. FMI: Cathy Newell 875-2116.

4 to 7 p.m. - **Spaghetti Dinner** at Philbrook Farm Inn, Shelburne, N.H. Cost: \$7 adults/\$4 children. Proceeds benefit Shelburne Union Church.

5 to 8 p.m. - **Midnite Haze** first CD "No One Knows" release party at The Funky Red Barn, Bethel. All welcome. CDs and merchandise available for sale. \$2 cover charge. FMI: Shelly 418-7071.

Sunday, Dec. 5 thru 15

Holiday Online Auction bidding opens and runs thru midnight Dec. 15. Sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, auction will offer 50-plus items. Anyone interested in bidding - go to www.bethelmaine.com and click on Register to Bid, or call 824-2282 for help.

Monday, Dec. 6

6:30 to 8:30 - **Socrates Cafe** gathering at Waterford Memorial Library. Topic: "What's happened to the role of compromise in politics." Moderator, Jim Kearney. Meetings held first Monday monthly. FMI: 583-6957 or e-mail wla@waterford.lib.me.us

Mondays, Dec. 6 and 20

10 a.m. - **Maine Educational Opportunity Center** free workshops, Essentials of College Planning at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street. FMI or register: (800) 281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>

Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 7 and 8
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Annual Christmas Sale** at Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris. Proceeds benefit Activity Department. Donations graciously accepted.

Wednesday, Dec. 8

11 a.m. - **Bethel Senior Citizens Club** luncheon/meeting at Bethel Inn. Cost: \$10 members and \$12 non-members. Reservations needed by noon on Dec. 6 to Nancy Mercer (824-3350 or Arlene Lowell (824-2877). No gift exchange; instead members asked to contribute to Christmas for Families or Christmas for Kids. Speaker: Randall Bennett on Christmas in the Past in Bethel.

5 to 8 p.m. - **Student Art Exhibit Sale and Silent Auction** by Telstar Middle School Art Reach 2010 at Telstar auditorium and cafeteria. Live auction 6:30 p.m. Special student performers 7 p.m. Snow date Dec. 9.

6 to 7:30 p.m. - **Legislators Listening Forum on Taxation and Regulation** at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Questions should be directed to Mia Purcell (739-6543) or e-mail mpurcell@community-concepts.org

Thursday, Dec. 9

1:30 p.m. - **Whitman Memorial Library**, Bryant Pond, features chorus from Woodstock Elementary School, directed by Susan Stowell, and a Christmas sing-a-long with Susan Glines. Everyone welcome. Light

refreshments served.

6:15 p.m. - **Bethel Masonic Supper/Meeting** (7:30 p.m.) at Masonic Hall.

Saturday, Dec. 11

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Craft Fair** at Andover Fire Station by Andover Fire Association. Soup and sandwiches available at noon. Santa arrives 1 p.m. Crafters: for tables call Elaine Morton at 392-1140.

Sunday, Dec. 12

2 p.m. - **Christmas Concert and Carol Sing-A-Long** at Andover Congregational Church. Cookies/hot chocolate. Free/donations accepted to benefit community projects.

4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Community Band Holiday Concert** at West Parish Congregational Church.

Monday, Dec. 13

6:30 p.m. - **The Toe Tappin' Jazz Dance Studio** presents "A Boogie Woogie Christmas" at Telstar High School Auditorium (storm date: Tuesday, Dec. 14). Tickets at \$7 adults/\$5 students/free for age 3 and under. Doors open 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14

10 a.m. - **Maine Educational Opportunity Center** free workshop at Rumford Career Center, 35 Congress Street. FMI or register (800) 281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>

Noon - **Senior Christmas Luncheon** put on by Bethel Rotary Club at American Legion Post 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills.

Friday, Dec. 17

7 p.m. - **Art Moves Holiday Show** in Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School auditorium. Advance tickets \$5 on sale Dec. 1 available at Books 'n Things, Norway. FMI: 743-5569.

Sunday, Dec. 19

4 p.m. - **Annual Christmas Cantata**, "Rise Up! A New Light A Comin'" will be held at Locke Mills Union Church with Bev Melville, director, and mixed choir from area churches. Refreshments by Ladies Circle. Everyone welcome.

5 p.m. - **The Living Nativity** with local people and live animals at Bethel village common. Dress warm. FMI: 824-2289.

Friday, Dec. 24

7 p.m. - **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road. Joint service with Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Wednesday, Dec. 29

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. - **Community Supper** (no charge) at Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walker's Mills Road. Call 824-2289 for more information.

Tuesday, Jan. 4 and 5

7 p.m. - **Adele Myers and Dancers**, hosted by Mahoosuc Arts Council as part of Gould Academy's Performing Arts Series at Bingham Auditorium on Jan. 4. The troupe will perform at Telstar Regional Middle and High schools and for area home-schooled and district charter school students on Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. at Telstar Helen Berry Auditorium. Tickets: \$10 adults/\$6 children and seniors. FMI: 824-3575 or e-mail info@mahoosucarts.org or visit www.mahoosucarts.org

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Municipal

Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October **Bethel Farmers Market** at Norway Savings Bank on Pathway and Route 2.

Woodstock
Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - **Woodstock Historical Society** meeting at the Museum.

West Paris

Sundays: 2 to 4 p.m. **Open House** (except Aug. 15) at Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Public invited. Museum, gift shop, library open.

Norway/Paris

Mondays: 6:30 p.m. - **Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway. New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. **The Yet To be Named Banjo Club** practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

Tuesdays 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. thru May - **Family Playtime** at Norway Memorial Library for parents/caregivers and children 1 thru 4. Drop-in program. FMI: 743-5308.

Fridays 9:15 a.m. - **Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge**, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

Organizations

Andover

Mondays, **TOPS Program** in Andover at First Congregational Church. Weigh-in 5:30 to 6 p.m. meetings 6 to 6:30 p.m. Annual Tops membership: \$26. FMI: Tina (557-8804) or Sharon (392-4351).

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m. - **Bethel Snow Twisters** at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Gilead

Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board

First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood

selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover

Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board

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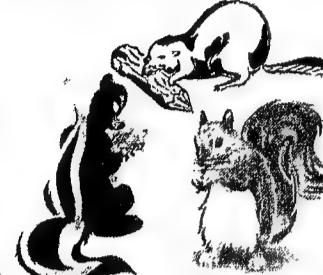
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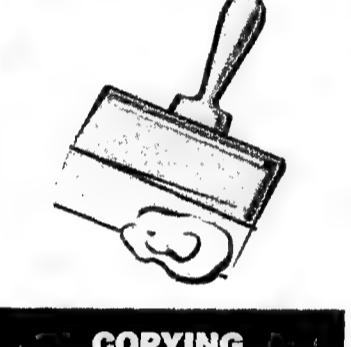
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Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2938.

Episcopal House Church

Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. For details: 824-3932

West Parish Congregational

Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor.

Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome.

United Methodist

Carol Stevens, Pastor. 9 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Wednesday. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible

Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Small group Bible study, Tuesday 6pm; Awana Club (3-6 grades), Sunday 5-7 pm. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist

Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. For more info, call 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford. Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months.

Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study, 9:15am.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigne. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m., FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

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Sunday River Christian Ministry: Interdenominational worship with the Rev. Don Coverdale, seasonal Christmas Eve through Easter. Sunday 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at White Cap, on the second floor. For more information, 824-5896 (recording).

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Trinity Lutheran Church

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North Paris Federation

Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends

(Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church

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First Baptist Church of Paris

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St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special

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SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-2143.

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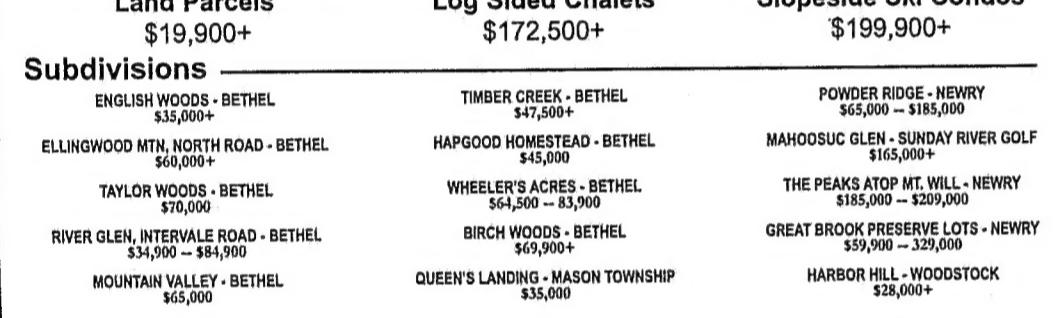
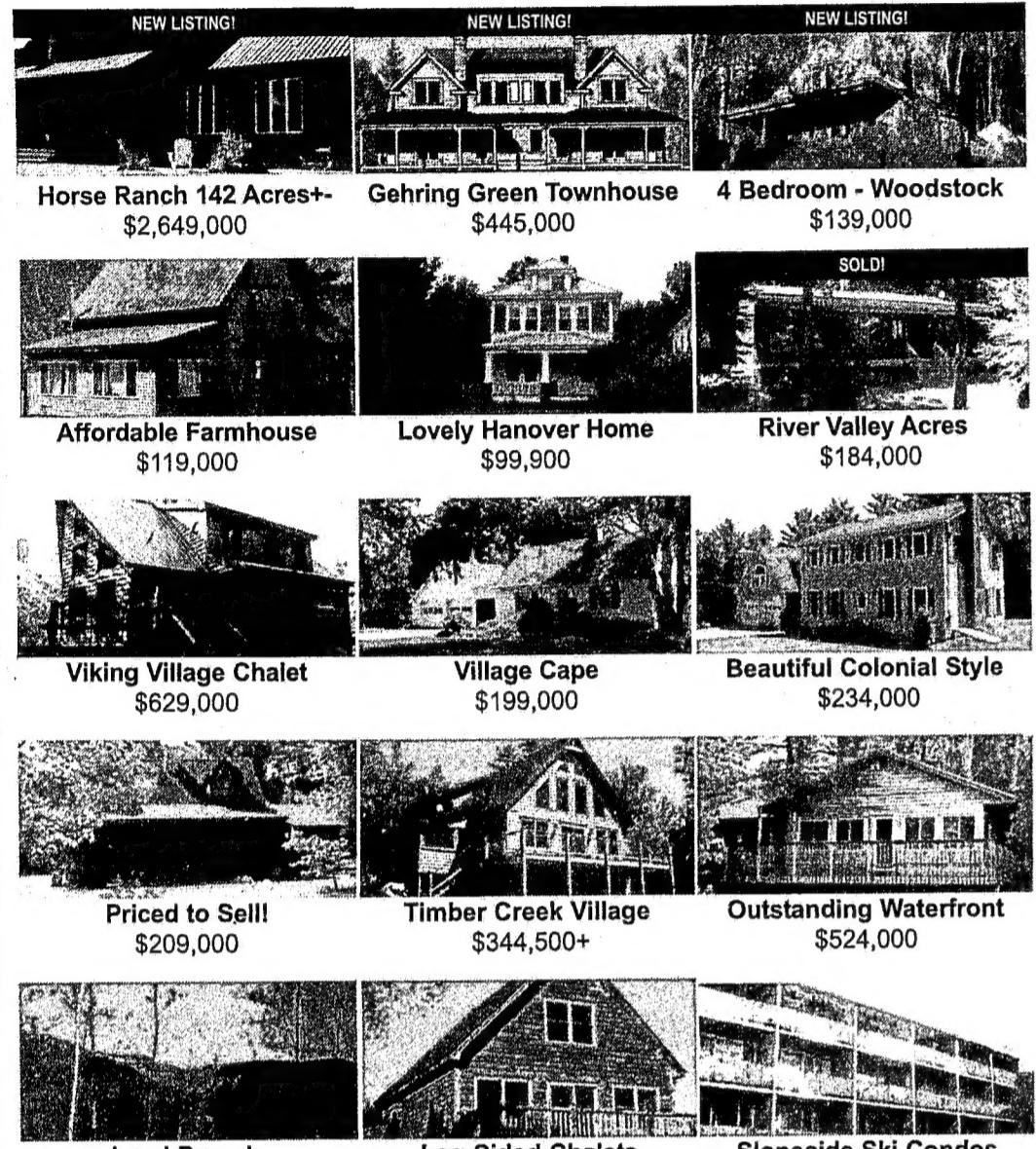
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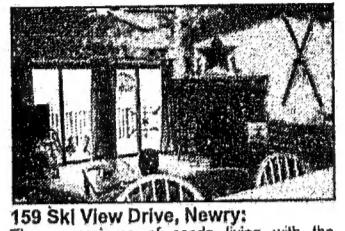
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► Homes



11 Breckenridge Rd, Powder Ridge: 4108 sq. ft. with 15 rooms including 5 BRs & 4 baths. Open floor plan, custom kitchen, 2-story wood-burning fireplace, wrap-around cedar deck & spectacular views. Interior designer-consulted, fully furnished with decor. \$95,000



159 Ski View Drive, Newry: The convenience of condo living with the prestige of living in Powder Ridge. This spacious townhome offers a wonderful layout, spectacular views and attractive furnishings. This is a turn-key vacation home just minutes from South Ridge. \$295,000



49 Howe Hill Rd, Greenwood: Charming 2-BR house with picket fence on the access road to Mt. Abram. Well maintained with freshly painted exterior. Replacement windows, new heater and a wood stove make this home energy efficient. Furnishings package available. Move-in condition. \$64,000



63 Appalachian Drive, The Peaks: This exceptionally built custom home has phenomenal views. The home has 4 BRs and 4 baths plus a 2-BR/1-bath lockout apartment with its own kitchen and living room with fireplace. Outdoor amenities include patio with fire pit, hot tub, screened porch and deck. \$995,000



5 Locke View Dr, Will View, Bethel: 3-BR, 2-bath log-sided chalet, 5 minutes to base lodges at Sunday River. Open living area with hardwood floors & gas fireplace. Beautiful kitchen with center island, stainless steel appliances & granite countertops. Finished daylight basement with family room. \$279,000



269 Paradise Rd, Bethel: Stunning architecturally designed home on a premier lot with mountain views. Features beautiful crown molding, gourmet kitchen, expansive windows, traditional brick fireplace & hardwood floors throughout. Landscaped, stone walls & heated lap pool. \$839,000



Lot 99, Fisher Road, Peaks Village: To be built: 4-BR/3.5-bath home. Features will include hardwood & tile floors, great room with floor-to-ceiling windows, open concept living area, mudroom, and large deck. Finished basement with family room, bath & bedroom. 9 Flaherty Lane, Greenwood:



An excellent value! Nicely maintained cape with 3 BRs, 2 baths. Beautiful lot with a walk-out basement with woodstove could be utilized as additional living space for family room. Located close to Bethel Village and just minutes to Sunday River and Mt. Abram. \$159,000

► Land

Lot 40, The Peaks: 7.83-acre lot with gorgeous views of Sunday River's ski slopes and the Mahoosuc mountains. \$269,000

Taylor Woods, Bethel: The final phase of Taylor Woods subdivision, off the Intervale Road, is now being offered. Home sites are available with attractive owner financing. Prices start at \$35,900.

Winter Park, Bethel: Subdivision featuring premier building lots with spectacular mountain views and natural beauty. Several building packages are available through a local developer. 12 lots range in size from 1.12 - 3.22 acres and in price from \$54,900 - \$99,900. Special incentives on select lots.

Douglas Road, Lot 2, Newry: Easily accessible in the Baker's Acres subdivision. This flat but elevated 1 acre lot offers the option for a daylight basement and short driveway. \$130,000

Mahoosuc Glen, Lot 8: 1+ acre lot along the 18th fairway. Convenient location off the main road yet close to clubhouse, driving & putting ranges. Sunday River & Mahoosuc Range views. \$179,000

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Brook Road, Bethel \$305,000 - Gorgeous log chalet with secluded setting in a nice neighborhood of similar log style homes. Lots of light from the large front windows and double sliding door fills the open kitchen, dining and living areas. Nice stone gas fireplace and pine vaulted ceilings enhance the living area. Tiled mudroom off the large front deck offers great storage. First floor bathroom complete with laundry area, upstairs boasts 2 large bedrooms, full bath and loft area over looking lower level. The full, daylight, walkout basement is finished and makes for a great den or game room. The lower level also offers a full bath with jetted-tub. This is a house not to miss!



Flaherty Lane, Greenwood \$239,000 - This beautiful house is a stand-out in its log home neighborhood! New 2-car log-sided garage, farmer's porch, new rear entertainment deck, gorgeous level back yard & new stone walkways, all on 1.89 acres. Inside is a sunny living room w/cathedral ceilings & beams, hardwood floors, stainless kitchen w/ island, 3BR's w/master suite, basement family room, upstairs bath w/skylight, 1st floor laundry & more! Nicely maintained with pride of ownership and most furnishings are included. Just a short 4 miles from downtown Bethel, skiing, golf, hiking & lake activities are minutes away.



Paradise Pines, Bethel \$209,000 - Construction Complete! This new log-sided chalet is ready for occupancy. Located in a quiet, wooded subdivision just off Paradise Road, with filtered mountain views. Open concept design with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, unfinished walkout basement, nice deck and more! Be close to town yet nestled in the pines on this 1.13 acre lot.

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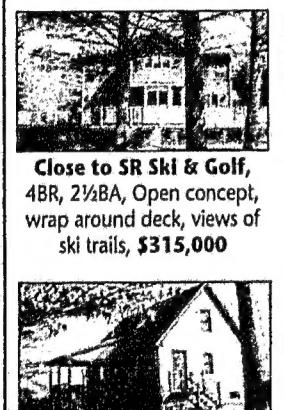
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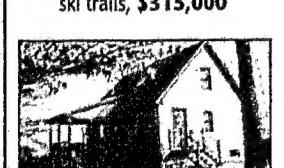
Close to SR Ski & Golf, 4BR, 2½BA, Open concept, wrap around deck, views of ski trails, \$315,000



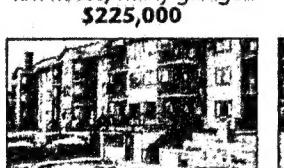
Entrepreneurs, & eBay-ers take notice, antiques & collectibles negotiable, 4BR house, many garages, \$225,000



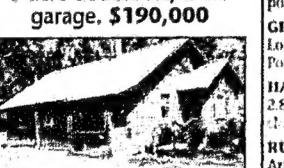
Spacious 3BR RANCH, partially finished basement, large fenced area, 5 acre double lot, 2 car garage, \$190,000



3 BR CAPE CHALET - mountain views, full walk-out basement, deeded access snowmobile trails, \$183,000



Chamberlain Condo, 2BR, outdoor heated pool, fully furnished, river views, minutes to Sunday River, \$105,000



4 Season Camp, potential for expansion in attic, short drive to 4-season recreation, \$69,500

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LAND

ALBANY 30 A Vernon Street \$69,000

BETHEL 14 A Fox Bethel Rd - possible subdivision view w/ Mt. Abram owner financing available \$47,500

14A A 1/2 Acre - 1/2A basement with 24x18 garage, day well, septic & driveway \$55,000

52 A West Bethel Rd 2 - commercial possibilities \$275,000

GREENWOOD Lot with ROW and view of Twitchell Pond - 4 season recreation \$49,000

HANOVER 2.8 A lot with 112 ft River frontage close to Sunday River \$49,000

HUMFORD Andover Road lots 6, 24A \$25,900, 30A \$24,900, or both for \$49,800

WOODSTOCK 5 Acre lots in Taft's Nest subdivision with great views lots 6, 8 & 9 \$75,000

5.86 Acre lot in Meadow Brook subdivision with mountain views \$34,995

7.2 Acre lot in Taft's Nest \$59,000

4 Acre lot in Taft's Nest \$29,900

1 A lot in Taft's Nest \$35,000

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SUNDAY RIVER CONDOS

BROOKSIDE BUILDING 11	STUDIO	SALE PENDING
A-213	STUDIO	\$78,000
A-207	STUDIO	\$78,000
A-102	1 BR	\$118,900
A-309	1 BR	\$118,900

CASCADES

A-3	1 BR	SOLD
C-19	1 BR	SOLD

WILL LINE

N-217	2 BR	SOLD
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MERRILL BROOK

II-D	1 BR	SOLD
I-C	1 BR	SOLD

WINTER PEAK

II-106	2 BR	SOLD
II-205	2 BR	SOLD

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SOUTH RIDGE

E-3	2 BR	SOLD
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WINTER PEAK

C-128	2 BR	SOLD
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WHITE CAP

A-307	1 BR	SOLD
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AREA TOWNHOMES

BETHEL INN/MILLBROOK	3 BR	\$365,000
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CHAMBERLAIN CONDOMINIUMS	2 BR	\$184,900
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CAMERON HOUSE CONDOS	#3	\$69,000
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#1	1 BR	\$59,000
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#2	2 BR	\$112,900
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#5	1 BR	\$119,000
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#4	1 BR	\$179,000
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SUNDAY RIVER ESTATES

Unit #1	3 BR	SOLD
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TEMPEST RIDGE TOWNHOMES	33	4 BR	SOLD
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MOUNTAIN VISTA TOWNHOMES	Unit #1	3 BR	SOLD
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QUARTERSHARES

JORDAN GRAND	STUDIO	SOLD
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128	STUDIO	\$11,500
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155	STUDIO	\$11,500
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151/153	1 BR	LOCKOUT
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233	1 BR	\$12,500
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234	1 BR	\$12,500
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235/237	1 BR	\$21,000
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322/324	1 BR + LOFT	\$54,000
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156	1 BR	\$27,000
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337	2 BR	\$28,000
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162/164	1 BR	\$23,000
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352/354	1 BR + 1 BR	\$34,900
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327	2 BR	SOLD
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GRAND SUMMIT

128/130	1 BR	\$7,000
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149A/14	1 BR	\$10,000
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309B	STUDIO	\$10,900
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165/167B	1 BR	LOCKOUT
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129	STUDIO	SOLD
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212	STUDIO	\$9,750
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239	STUDIO	SOLD
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305/327	STUDIO + 1 BR	\$11,000
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107	1 BR	LOCKOUT
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289/291	STUDIO + 1 BR	\$12,500
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307/319	1 BR	\$21,000
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120/122	STUDIO + 1 BR	\$25,000
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336	1 BR	\$25,900
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330/332	STUDIO + 1 BR	\$26,000
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483	2 BR	\$35,000
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Obituaries

CLAUDIA M. GRAVES

Claudia M. Graves, 70, of Fryeburg, passed away at the Memorial Hospital in North Conway Nov. 24, 2010 peacefully, with her family by her side.

She was born in Lewiston on April 25, 1940, the daughter of Vivian and Erma (Rich) Hatch. She was raised in North Waterford, where she graduated from Gould Academy in 1958, and then moved to East Conway, where she married Richard Graves of East Conway in June of 1958.

She was an avid gardener and deeply enjoyed spending time with her family, baking for the holidays, and in her free time she enjoyed doing many crafts. She was always there to lend a hand, listen, or just give love to whoever needed it. Also, in her final years she loved to volunteer at her church, the New Church of Fryeburg. Her doors were always open to her children's friends. Her fondest memories were spent vacationing at Cape Cod, Mass., with her children.

She is survived by her mother, Erma Hatch of Norway; two sisters, Linda Hatch of Norway and longtime companion Fred Fox and Sandra Bumpis and her husband Richard of South Paris; her children, Sallie Bolduc of East Conway, Laurie Lundblad and her husband Mark of Conway, Vicki Graves and Tom Fadden of East Conway, Julie Fox and her husband Steve of Center Conway, Lisa Butters and her husband Jason of Center Conway, Robin Brett and her husband Chris of Fryeburg, Susan Graves of Fryeburg, and Bill Jackson and his wife Amanda of Baldwin; 18 grandchildren, Samantha, Mark, Tommie, Scott, Ashley, Jessica, Kyle, Shawn, Richard, Joshua, Felicia, Deanna and Rich; and two great-grandchildren,

Brooklyn and Alexis.

She was predeceased by her father, Vivian Hatch; and her son, Michael Graves.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 29, at the New Church of Fryeburg with a remembrance of her life. Donations can be made in lieu of flowers to the New Church of Fryeburg, Fryeburg, ME 04037.

HELVI PIIRAINEN SMITH

Helvi Piirainen Smith, 85, of Norway, died peacefully at the Hawthorne House, Freeport, after a long and progressive illness on Friday, Nov. 26, 2010.

A resident of the Norway-Pars area, she was born in West Paris, Dec. 9, 1924, the daughter of Finnish immigrants, Kalle and Ella (Niskanen) Piirainen. She was educated in Oxford schools.

She was one of three children. Her two twin brothers, Walter and Antti Piirainen, both died tragically at very early ages.

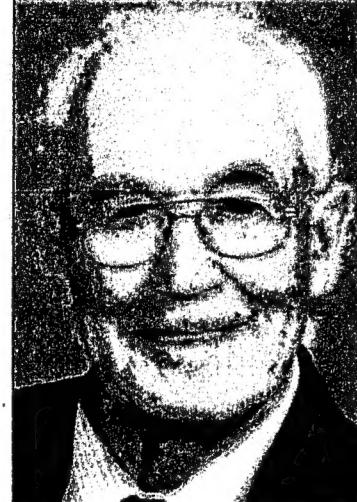
Helvi worked at Wilner Wood Products, Cornwall's and the Norway Shoe Shop, until she retired at the age of 62. She was a long-time member of the Finnish-American Heritage Society in West Paris. After retiring, she spent her time visiting the Market Square Nursing Home, visiting her family and traveling with friends on Maine Line Tours. She twice traveled to Finland to visit relatives and friends, trips that were the highlights of her life.

She was a hard worker, a dedicated friend and a person who loved her family and her heritage. She had a tremendous sense of humor and was loved by all her life touched. She moved from the Oxford Hills area to Brunswick in 2006 to be closer to her only child, her son, Brian. During the past two years, she was a resident at Dionne Commons, which is an assisted living facility in Brunswick.

She was married to Stanley T. Smith, who passed away in 1977. She is survived by her son, Brian and daughter-in-law Tricia Smith of Brunswick; grandson, Mark Brian Smith of West Hollywood, Calif.; granddaughter, Shelly Kavanaugh; and her great-grandson, Will Kavanagh of Topsham; two stepchildren, Ivan Smith of Orlando, Fla., and Sandra Jacobsen of Crivitz, Wis.; as well as several step nieces and nephews, step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours at Oxford Hills and Weston Funeral Services on Friday, Dec. 3, from 4 to 7 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home on Saturday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Tom Myhre presiding. Everyone welcome to attend a reception at the Finnish-American Society in West Paris located at 8 Maple Street, West Paris at the conclusion of the service. In lieu of flowers and if desired, memorial donations in Helvi's name may be made to the Finnish-American Society, P.O. Box 294, West Paris, ME 04286.



RUPERT H. GROVER SR.

Rupert "Father" Henry Grover Sr., 90, of Mason Township, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2010 at Market Square Health Care Center, South Paris.

He was born in Mason Township on Aug. 11, 1920, the son of Eli and Ella Garey Grover.

RABIES CLINIC

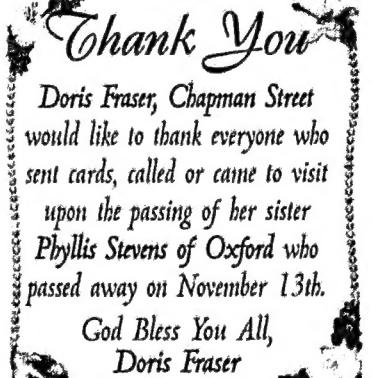
There will be a rabies clinic on Saturday, December 4, 2010, at the Bethel Fire Station from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The fee for the rabies shot is \$15.00. PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN CASH ONLY!

A staff member from the Bethel Town Office will be available to license dogs for Bethel, Albany and Mason residents. Licensing fees are \$11.00 per dog or \$6.00 per spayed or neutered dog.

MABEL A. KENNEDY

Mabel A. (Pollard) Kennedy, 82, of Water Street, Keene, N.H., a former longtime resident of Bethel, Maine, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 2010 at Bentley Commons in Keene.

She was born in Ware, Mass., Oct. 16, 1928, the daughter of Leroy H. and Helen I. (Dick) Pollard.

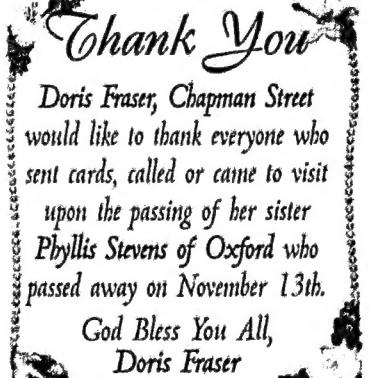


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God Bless You All,
Doris Fraser



Doris Fraser, Chapman Street

would like to thank everyone who sent cards, called or came to visit upon the passing of her sister Phyllis Stevens of Oxford who passed away on November 13th.

We're proud of you buddy!

She grew up in New Braintree, Mass., attending local schools. She received a bachelor degree in elementary education from the Massachusetts State Teachers College in Worcester, Mass. Mrs. Kennett taught third grade and reading for 21 years in Bethel area schools.

She was an avid quilter, completing over 50 bed-sized quilts, and was a member of the Cross-Country Quilters of Bethel. She also enjoyed making braided rugs with her husband, hooking rugs, knitting, and sewing. She enjoyed genealogy and flower gardening. While residing in Bethel, she was active in the Bethel Historical Society.

She is survived by her husband of 61 years, Alden T. Kennett of Keene, and their three children: Ellen L. Fisher and her husband Burns of Brookline, N.H.; Amy S. Jenkins and her husband James of Charlestown, N.H., and Edward A. Kennett and his friend Robin Smith of Bethel. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren are Carolyn Fisher and her husband Thomas Seufert and their children, Geoffrey and Abigail, of Boston; Joanne Theriault and her husband Joseph of Manchester, N.H.; Beth Pijanowski and her husband John and their son Brian of Huntley, Ill.; Michael Jenkins of North Anson, Maine; Annah Kennett of Portland, Maine, and Caitlin Kennett of Maryland, N.Y. She had four siblings: Herbert Pollard (who died earlier this year) and his wife Mary Alice of Northport, Fla.; Harold Pollard and his wife Ellen of Prosperity, S.C.; Marion Lifter and her husband Richard of Franklin, N.C.; and David Pollard and his wife Mary Lou of Crossville, Tenn.

A memorial service and burial in the Evergreen Cemetery, New Braintree, Mass., will be held at a later date. There are no calling hours.

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STUART W. CROSS

Stuart William Cross passed on to other adventures on Saturday, Nov. 27, 2010. He was the son of Janice Young Cross and the late Stuart A. Cross.

Stuart was born Sept. 9, 1942 and lived on Vernon Street, Bethel, all his life.

He attended school in Bethel, but most of his education came from his family and many friends. If you knew Studie, he probably taught you something and he came away learning something from you as well.

Studie had several occupations: logger, mason tender, landscaper, his own bottle and can collection operation, special project assistant under Town Manager Scott Cole and most importantly he was the self-proclaimed Mayor of Bethel.

For 18 years the family spent winters in Chuluota, Fla., where Studie made more friends. He also noted the "People down south aren't the same as here in Bethel."

In his younger days he spent several winters in Rhode Island with the Knipe family and time with the Standeven family as well. He spoke often of fond memories of those times.

Studie loved animals, fishing and the wilderness country. He watched his soaps faithfully every day and his days started off with his "coffee route." Studie belonged to the Bethel Senior Citizens Club and enjoyed the meals and meeting with friends.

Studie belonged to the Bethel Fire Department for many years and never missed a meeting. He loved spending time with "the guys." He was a permanent fixture in a fire truck every Mollyockett Day. He will be sadly missed by his family and many friends.

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